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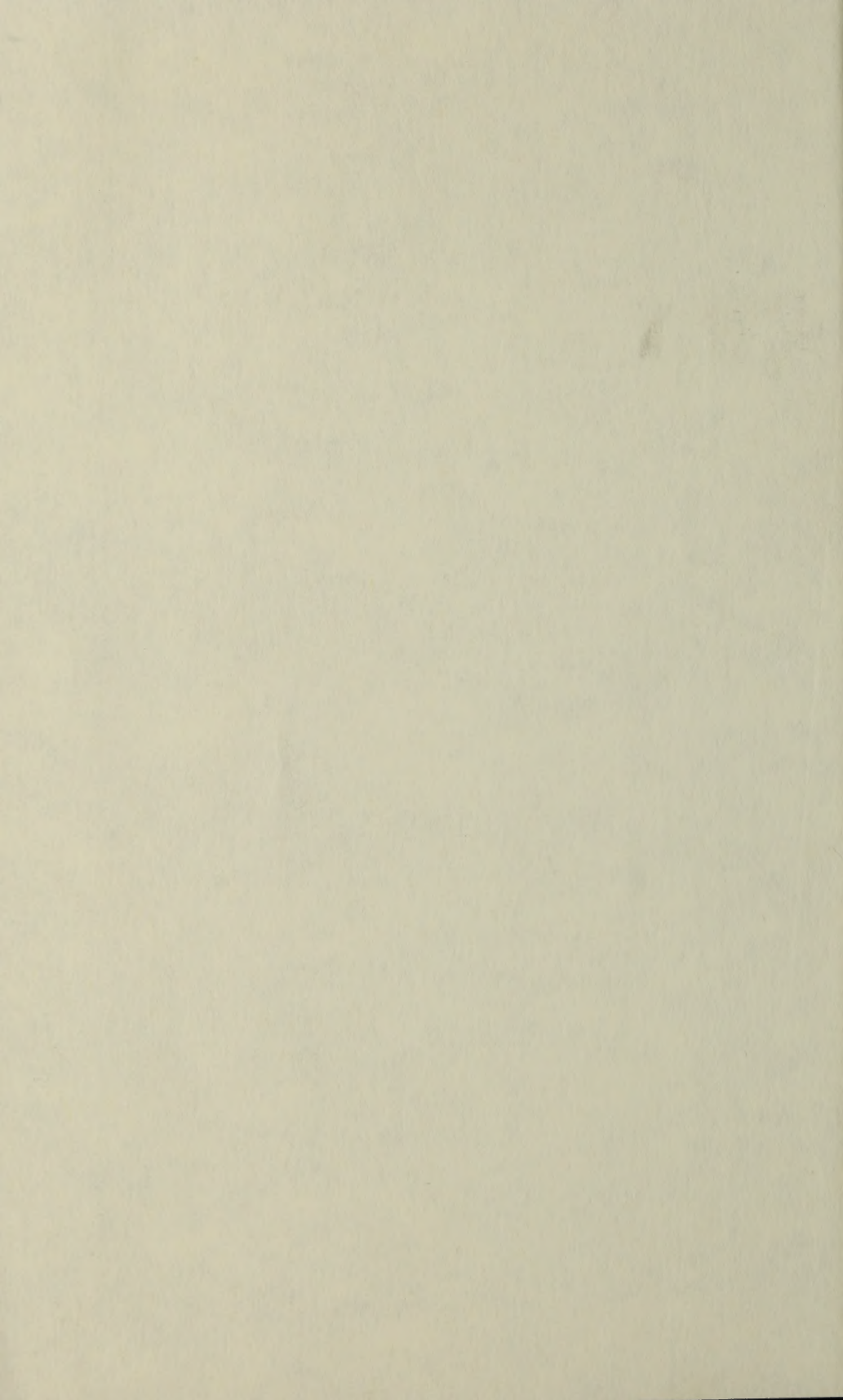


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# West Bridgewater



Town  
Report 1981

*Forrest Levine*





BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
West Bridgewater, Massachusetts 02379  
Telephone 617-588-4820

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Town government needs citizens who are willing to give time in the service of their community. The Board of Selectmen plans to organize a Talent Bank as a means of compiling names of citizens willing to serve, voluntarily, on boards, committees and as resource people. Names in our file will be available for use by the public as well as all Town offices, the Selectmen and the Moderator.

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Selectmen's Office  
Town Hall  
West Bridgewater, MA 02379

Name ..... Tel. No. ....

Address ..... Occupation .....

Background .....

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List order of preference:

PLANNING & PRESERVATION

Conservation Commission  
Industrial Development Commission  
Planning Board  
Appeals Board

EDUCATION

School Committee Activities  
Resource Person for Schools  
Other

RECREATION

Youth Work  
Other

OTHER

Housing Authority  
Council on Aging  
Bicentennial Commission  
Construction Committee

GOVERNMENT

Finance Committee  
Committee Studying  
Changes .....

HEALTH

Social Services  
Ambulance Committee

This Annual Report is dedicated to the following gentlemen. The Town of West Bridgewater will always be grateful to them.

MICHAEL MANUGIAN

Finance Committee, 1960-1963

Selectman, 1972-1981

Civil Defense Director, 1981

EDWIN T. GIBSON

Elected Constable 1940 to present

Deputy Fire Warden, 1941-1949

Patrolman, June 1940-1966

Dog Officer, 1942-1946

Fire Chief & Forest Fire Warden, 1967-1981

Lockup-Keeper, 1955-1966



ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
Town Officers and Committees  
OF THE TOWN OF  
WEST BRIDGEWATER

**In Memoriam**

**ERLAND W. THAYER**

June 4, 1981

**RICHARD E. KEITH**

December 14, 1981

**MARY E. NELSON**

October 4, 1981

For the Year Ending December 31

1981

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**OF THE**  
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**WEST BRIDGEWATER**

**For the Year Ending December 31**

**1981**

# STATISTICS

## Of the Town of West Bridgewater

1970 — Federal Census — 7152

*FEDERAL* 6537  
1980 — Town Census — 6536

Total Registered Voters — 3196

### PRECINCT I

Republican 541

Democrat 427

Unenrolled 729

### PRECINCT II

Republican 429

Democrat 345

Unenrolled 729

Number of Residences — 1988

Area of Town — 15.75 Square Miles

59.33 Miles of Water Mains

Local Road Mileage 60

### COUNCILLOR — FIRST DISTRICT

John Britland

### SENATOR — 2nd PLYMOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT

Edward P. Kirby

### REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT 10th PLYMOUTH DISTRICT

Michael C. Creedon

### REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS 10th CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Margaret Heckler

Town Meeting — April 12

1982

Town Election — April 17



# Town Officers for 1981

## MODERATOR

	Elected	Term Expires
Charles L. Hill	1981	1982

## TOWN CLERK

	Elected	Term Expires
Anna E. Brown	1979	1982

## SELECTMEN

	Elected	Term Expires
Charles H. Johnson	1979	1982
Doris Haight	1980	1983
Eldon F. Moreira	1981	1984

## ASSESSORS

	Elected	Term Expires
Gary A. Boyd	1979	1982
DeSales J. Heath	1980	1983
Sherwood W. Jackson	1981	1984

## TREASURER/COLLECTOR

	Elected	Term Expires
Joseph F. McCann	1981	1984

## TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

	Elected	Term Expires
Joan F. Sheedy	1979	1982
Helen Millett	1979	1982
Carolee Ferris	1980	1983
Barbara Perkins	1980	1983
Patricia Cronin	1981	1984
Robert Wayne Legge	1981	1984

## REGIONAL-VOCATIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

	Elected	Term Expires
Eugene Kostecki	1981	1984

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

	Elected	Term Expires
Frank Teixeira	1979	1982
Betty Alden Miller	1979	1982
Patricia R. Alger	1980	1983
Thomas F. Kelley	1980	1983
Leo Cronin	1981	1984
Joseph L. McMorrow, Sr.	1981	1984

## WATER COMMISSIONERS

	Elected	Term Expires
Edward G. Asack	1979	1982
Donald N. Davock	1980	1983
John W. Noyes	1981	1984

## TREE WARDEN

	Elected	Term Expires
Thomas B. MacQuinn	1980	1983

## CONSTABLES

	Elected	Term Expires
Edwin T. Gibson	1980	1983
Raymond L. Silva	1980	1983

## BOARD OF HEALTH

	Elected	Term Expires
Edward F. Cruz	1979	1982
Judith A. Kinney	1981	1982
Ronald C. Broman	1981	1984

## PLANNING BOARD

	Elected	Term Expires
Wilfred Howard	1980	1982
William E. Turner, Jr.	1978	1983
Donald G. Asack	1979	1984
Howard Anderson	1980	1985
D. Christopher Cross	1981	1986

## HOUSING AUTHORITY

	Elected	Term Expires
Albert Greiner	1977	1982
Armen Amerigan (By State)	1979	1983
Richard C. Williams	1979	1984
Carl R. Bystrom	1980	1985
Robert Kellie	1981	1986

# **Officers Appointed By the Selectmen**

**SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS**

Irving G. Sylvester

**TOWN ACCOUNTANT**

Arthur E. Chaves

**CHIEF OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Ervin G. Lothrop

**CHIEF OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Charles A. Dyke

**SUPERINTENDENT OF PEST CONTROL, 3 Yrs.**

Thomas B. MacQuinn

**FOREST FIRE WARDEN**

Edwin T. Gibson

**SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES**

Warren A. Turner

**DEPUTY SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES**

Warren A. Turner

**DOG OFFICER**

Julie Vivace

**VETERAN'S BURIAL AGENT**

Armen Amerigian

**CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR**

Michael Manugian

**DEPUTY CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR**

Ronald P. Snell

**PLUMBING & GAS INSPECTOR**

Joseph Donavan

**TOWN COUNSEL**

J. Joseph Lydon

**CONFIDENTIAL SECRETARY**

Artemis Bucci



## REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

	Appointed	Term Expires
Francis J. Boyd	1979	1982
Edward M. Pingree	1980	1983
Lance R. Ohlson	1981	1984

## INSPECTOR OF WIRES

Albert Greiner

## TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

Thomas B. MacQuinn

Richard E. Norris

## INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

John Pires

## MEMORIAL FIELD COMMITTEE

Charles Hill

William R. Brown

Thomas Roulstone

## HERRING WARDEN

Philip C. Tuck

## DEPUTY HERRING WARDENS

Thomas B. MacQuinn

Joseph Souza

## LOCKUP KEEPER

Walter Thayer

## ADMINISTRATOR OF INSURANCE

Eldon F. Moreira

John Drinkwater

## BUILDING BOARD OF APPEALS

	Appointed	Term Expires
William E. Turner, Jr.	1979	1982
Diana Lothrop	1980	1982
Henry Podolsky	1980	1983
Harry G. Pierson, Jr.	1981	1984
George O. Merritt	1981	1984
Associate members; Harry Ketler	1979	1982
Robert Miskinis	1980	1983

# INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

	Term Expires
Frank Miller	1982
George V. Hollertz, Jr.	1983
Henry Bradford	1984
Leon Beaulieu	1985
Donald L. MacIver	1986

## ADVISORY COMMITTEE to the INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

	Term Expires
Carl R. Bystrom	1981
Robert W. Bowman	1983
Charles Higgins	1984

## INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FINANCE AUTHORITY

	Term Expires
Joseph L. McMorrow	1982
Robert L. Smith	1983
Madelyn T. Burke	1984
Donald L. MacIver	1985
Raymond E. Chase	1986

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

	Appointed	Term Expires
Linda Greene	1979	1982
Grete M. Bohannon	1979	1982
John Dacey	1980	1983
Hugh Hurley	1981	1983
Thomas J. Driscoll	1981	1983
Harry Barton	1981	1983
Howard M. Hayward	1981	1983

## BY-LAW STUDY COMMITTEE

	Appointed	Term Expires
Grete Bohannon	1981-	1984
Donald Kennedy	1981	1984
Roger A. Coelho	1981	1985

## RECREATION COMMISSION

	Appointed	Term Expires
Joseph Vallon	1979	1982
Carmella Preston	1978	1983
Ethel Fisher	1979	1984
Joseph G. Gareri	1980	1985
Mary Lou Jenness	1981	1986

## COUNCIL ON AGING

	Appointed	Term Expires
Virginia Michael	1979	1982
Beth Burgess	1979	1982
Clifford Carlson	1979	1982
David Cohen	1981	1982
Susan Puffer	1980	1983
Lloyd A. Sears	1980	1983
Raymond Chace	1981	1983
Elmer W. Walker	1981	1983
Kenneth Hollis	1981	1984
Kathleen Fenstermaker	1981	1984
Samuel Feinberg	1981	1984
Marjorie MacDonald	1981	1984

## MEMORIAL AND VETERANS' DAY COMMITTEE

William R. Brown, Sr.	Emmet Miller
Francis Boyd	Alfred Luce

## HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

	Appointed	Term Expires
Francis Beary	1979	1982
Charles Millett	1979	1982
Jessie Anderson	1980	1983
Marjorie MacDonald	1980	1983
Anne Gillis	1981	1984

## REPRESENTATIVE TO SELF-HELP INC.

Charles Baker

## OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL, 3 Years

	Appointed	Term Expires
Merton Ouderkirk	1980	1983
Doris Haight, Alternate	1981	1984



OLD COLONY OVERALL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
PROGRAM REPRESENTATIVE

George V. Hollertz, Jr.

OCPC AREA AGENCY ON AGING

William R. Brown, Sr.

Kenneth Hollis, Alternate

CETA DESIGNEE

Doris Haight

TENNIS COMMITTEE

Donald A. Fisher

Nancy M. Pettinelli

Frank Miller

Marlene A. Howell

Marianne Lorrain

DRURY BELL COMMITTEE

Marjorie E. MacDonald

Doris Haight

Charles H. Johnson

Eldon F. Moreira

Michael Manugian

PLYMOUTH COUNTY ADVISORY BUDGET DESIGNEE

Doris Haight

ARTS LOTTERY COUNCIL

Roland Nadeau

Ruth D'Ambrosio

Patrick B. Bell

Joseph Linehan

Ted Nystrom

Lorraine A. Piver

CUSTODIANS OF THE HERITAGE TIME CAPSULE

	Appointed	Term Expires
Kenneth Turner	1979	1982
Austin Cole	1980	1983
Marjorie MacDonald	1981	1984

FENCE VIEWERS

Judith Kinney

Marilyn Raleigh

Hugh Hurley

DATA PROCESSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Patricia A. Cheromcka

Lawrence Conant

William R. Brown, Jr.

Everett B. Tufts

BROCKTON AREA MENTAL HEALTH & RETARDATION  
REPRESENTATIVES

Walter R. Olson

Phyllis Olson

**HAZARDOUS WASTE COORDINATOR**

Nancy Hand

**FIELD DRIVERS**

Lance Anderson

Julie Vivace

George Richardson

**CHRISTMAS DECORATING COMMITTEE**

Judith Kinney

John E. Burnham, Jr.

**Appointments by  
Board of Health**

**INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS**

Leo F. Moroni

**BOARD OF HEALTH PHYSICIAN**

Dr. Joseph F. Calitri

**BURIAL AGENT**

Anna E. Brown

**Appointments by  
Chief of Fire Department**

**DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF**

Leonard T. Hunt

**DEPUTY FIRE WARDENS**

Paul R. Lanoue

Leonard T. Hunt

Richard W. Gibson

Thomas B. MacQuinn

Allen A. Breer

Clinton Howard

Irving G. Sylvester

**Appointments by  
Moderator**

**COMMITTEE TO APPOINT A FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Warren E. Turner

Howard G. Miles

Paul Sheedy

Kathleen Fenstermaker

Henry Bishop

## STREET LIGHTING COMMITTEE

John B. Sillars  
 Arthur Steptoe  
 Donald A. Seablom

Raymond L. Silva  
 John Daly  
 James F. Purpua

## POLICE BUILDING COMMITTEE

Charles M. Roussel  
 Joseph L. McMorrow

George V. Hollertz, Jr.

Richard C. Williams  
 Leonard P. Bucci

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

	Appointed	Term Expires
John B. Baker	1979	1982
Joseph Kameese	1979	1982
Barbara Ginn	1979	1982
H. Page Conant	1980	1982
Robert L. Smith	1980	1983
Frederick McPeck	1980	1983
Marion Loughman	1981	1984
Neil Manzer	1981	1984
Harry Barton	1981	1984



# TOWN CLERK REPORT

## Special Town Meeting February 3, 1981

A meeting of which the inhabitants of the Town of West Bridgewater qualified to vote in Election and Town Affairs was held at the Sr-Jr. High School Auditorium on Tuesday, February 3, 1981. Meeting called to order at 7:30 P.M. by the Moderator Charles L. Hill. 143 registered voters checked in by the Board of Registrars.

Reading of the warrant and constables return was dispensed with, no-one objecting.

Mr. Manugian, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen requested the floor. Mr. Manugian announced that because this would be his last Town Meeting as Selectman, as he is not seeking re-election, his last action as Chairman of the Board he called Artemis Bucci, Secretary of the Selectmen and Anna E. Brown, Town Clerk to the podium and presented each with a certificate designating them as Honorary Selectman. They were also presented with Citation from State Representative, Michael Creedon for "Outstanding Service to the West Bridgewater Board of Selectmen".

Meeting proceeded as follows:

**Article 1. Voted Unanimously:** The sum of \$47,821.00 be appropriated to meet the State's and Town's share of the cost of this construction as provided by Chapters 329 and 570, Acts of 1980 and to meet such appropriation the sum of \$47,821.00 be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account.

**Article 2. Voted Unanimously:** The sum of \$14,000.00 be transferred from Excess and Deficiency to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to pay Unemployment Compensation.

**Article 3. Voted Unanimously:** The sum of \$21,532.00 be transferred from Excess and Deficiency Account to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to pay for premiums for Group and Casualty Insurance.

**Article 4. Moved:** The sum of \$45,000.00 be expended by the Board of Selectmen for the purchase of the Michael Sullivan Property, 105 West Center Street, West Bridgewater, shown on Assessors' Map F8, Lot 79-4 and to meet such expenditure the sum of \$29,312.94 be borrowed and the remainder of \$16,187.06 be transferred from the Stabilization Fund.

Upon counted vote of 134-No and 9-Yes, motion defeated.

It was voted unanimously to exceed the 4% cap by \$83,353.00.

Meeting adjourned at 8:19 P.M.

A true Copy,  
Anna E. Brown,  
Town Clerk

RESOLUTION  
Board of Selectmen

Whereas, William E. Gibson has served the Town of West Bridgewater as a member of the Fire Department for forty-two years; and

Whereas, William E. Gibson has been recognized as a member of the first class of nationally registered Emergency Medical Technicians in 1974 and has participated in training individuals throughout the Commonwealth devoting time and talent to the citizens; and

Whereas, William E. Gibson has faithfully and conscientiously served the Town of West Bridgewater in many unpaid and voluntary capacities all of which have benefitted the Town; and

Whereas, William E. Gibson has always maintained the highest ideals with selfless devotion; be it

Now, therefore, resolved:

That the Town of West Bridgewater expresses its deep appreciation to William E. Gibson and that this Resolution be spread on the records of the Town Clerk and a copy thereof be presented to Mr. Gibson.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN,  
Doris Haight, *Acting Chairman*  
Charles H. Johnson  
Eldon F. Moreira

A True Copy,  
Anna E. Brown,  
*Town Clerk*

**Special Town Meeting  
June 1, 1981**

A meeting of which the inhabitants of the Town of West Bridgewater qualified to vote on election & Town Affairs was held at Sr.—Jr. High School Auditorium on June 1, 1981. Meeting was called to order at 7:20 P.M. by the Town Clerk, Anna E. Brown in the absence of Moderator Charles Hill, who is recuperating from a recent illness.

National Anthem was played by the High School Orchestra. The nomination of Lawrence Conant was made, for Moderator pro tem. Town Clerk declared Lawrence Conant elected by general consent there being no other nomination. He was sworn in by the Town Clerk.

Reading of the warrant was dispensed with, there being no objections.

**Article 1. Moved:** The Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,400.00

be transferred from excess and deficiency account to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to purchase and equip one 1981 Sedan Type Cruiser for the Police Department.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

A True Copy,  
Anna E. Brown,  
Town Clerk

## Annual Town Election April 18, 1981

The Annual Town Election was held at the Spring Street School on Saturday, April 18, 1981. The Warrant issued by the Selectmen was posted by the Constable, Raymond L. Silva, on April 7, 1981 in accordance with the provisions of the Town By-Laws.

Specimen ballots, cards of instructions and abstracts of the laws imposing penalties upon voters, were posted as required by the laws of the Commonwealth.

The polls were opened at 9 A.M. The Ballot boxes in both precincts were inspected and the registers set at 0000. A total of 2600 ballots were given to the warden in Precincts 1 and 2, and receipts given to the Town Clerk for the same.

At the close of the polls at 9 P.M., the Ballot box registers showed the following number of ballots cast:

Precinct 1	772
Precinct 2	937
Total	1709

The following workers were sworn in:

**Precinct 1** — Frank Miller, Warden; Edythe Baker, Clerk; Natalie Beauleau, Joan Ohlson, Patricia Berry, Janet Merritt, Checkers; Helen Souza, Marie Murray, Catherine Chaves, Eutropy Sinkevich, Counters and Observers; Dorothy Williams, Claire Davock, Total Tally.

**Precinct 2** — John Sillars, Warden; Warren E. Turner, Clerk; Coralee Travers, Shirley Almquist, Paula Turner, Janet Carlson, Checkers; JoAnn Stork, Lois Ketler, Debbie Podolsky, Nancy Pettinelli, Audrey Johnson, Ann Long, Counters and Observers; William R. Brown, Jr., Joseph Souza, Total Tally.

The results were declared as follows:

MODERATOR, 1 yr.	I	II	Total
Charles L. Hill	591	727	1318
Scattered	2		2
Blanks	179	210	389

Charles L. Hill declared elected.



SELECTMAN, 3 yrs.	I	II	Total
Richard E. Krugger	223	220	443
Paul L. Lamoureux	144	175	319
Eldon F. Moreira	394	529	923
Blanks	11	13	24

Eldon F. Moreira declared elected.

ASSESSOR, 3 yrs.			
Sherwood W. Jackson	529	642	1171
Scattered		3	3
Blanks	243	292	535

Sherwood W. Jackson declared elected.

TREASURER-COLLECTOR, 3 yrs.			
Joseph F. McCann	569	703	1272
Scattered	1	1	2
Blanks	202	233	435

Joseph F. McCann declared elected.

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY, 3 yrs.			
Patricia B. Cronin	560	702	1262
Robert W. Legge	546	619	1165
Blanks	438	553	991

Patricia Cronin and Robert Legge declared elected.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE, 3 yrs.			
Henry C. Bradford, III	310	405	715
Leo Cronin	487	522	1009
Joseph L. McMorrow	406	479	885
Scattered	1	3	4
Blanks	340	465	805

Leo Cronin and Joseph L. McMorrow declared elected.

WATER COMMISSIONER, 3 yrs.			
John W. Noyes	621	771	1392
Blanks	151	166	317

John W. Noyes declared elected.

BOARD OF HEALTH, 3 yrs.			
Ronald C. Broman	600	737	1337
Scattered		2	2
Blanks	172	198	370

Ronald C. Broman declared elected.

PLANNING BOARD, 5 yrs.	I	II	Total
Harry L. Barton	254	462	716
D. Christopher Cross	475	430	905
Blanks	43	45	88
D. Christopher Cross declared elected.			

REGIONAL VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE, 3 yrs.			
Eugene Kostecki	602	718	1320
Blanks	170	219	389
Eugene Kostecki declared elected.			

HOUSING AUTHORITY, 5 yrs.			
Robert L. Kellie	590	709	1299
Blanks	182	228	410
Robert L. Kellie declared elected.			

QUESTION No. 1 – Would you support legislation which would limit state spending in order to provide additional local aid to fund municipal services?			
Yes	626	732	1358
No	99	109	208
Blanks	47	96	143

QUESTION No. 2 – Would you support legislation which would broaden and/or increase the existing sales tax to provide additional state revenues to fund local services?			
Yes	141	166	307
No	576	685	1261
Blanks	55	86	141

QUESTION No. 3 – Would you support a tax reform plan which would include a graduated income tax?			
Yes	218	260	478
No	473	556	1029
Blanks	81	121	202

A True Copy,  
Anna E. Brown,  
*Town Clerk*

## Annual Town Meeting June 1, 1981

A meeting of which the inhabitants of the Town of West Bridgewater qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs were notified and warn by Warrant issued by the Selectmen and posted by the Constable, Edwin T. Gibson, on May 22, 1981 was held at the Jr.-Sr. High School Auditorium on June 1, 1981. Meeting was called to

order at 7:35 P.M. by the Moderator, pro tem, Lawrence Conant. 253 Voters were checked in by the Board of Registrars.

Students of the Advance Speech and Communications class, under the supervision of Mrs. Patricia Murphy, were guests. There were four non-voters admitted.

Invocation was given by Rev. Kenneth Armstrong, Minister of the Trinity Baptist Church.

The reading of the warrant was dispensed with, there being no objections.

Moderator introduced Mrs. Patricia Murphy, speech teacher at the West Bridgewater High School, who, in turn, introduced Alicia Armstrong, Junior Class student who gave a 10 minute oration on "Freedom of Expression, An American Experiment", that she presented at the American Legion Oratorical Contest at the State Level.

Mr. Charles Johnson, Clerk of the Board of Selectmen, presented Civic Service award to Edward B. Hill, recently retired from the Tree Warden & Parks Department.

He also made the following resolutions:

#### RESOLUTION

Whereas, George J. Lepine, Jr., has served the Town of West Bridgewater for the past thirteen years as a School Committeeman, four of those years as Chairman of the School Committee; and

Whereas, George J. Lepine, Jr., has faithfully and conscientiously served the Town of West Bridgewater in many unpaid and voluntary capacities, all of which have benefitted the Town; and

Whereas, George J. Lepine, Jr., has always been in the forefront of promoting the best interests of our school children; be it

Now, therefore, resolved:

That the Town of West Bridgewater expresses its deep appreciation to George J. Lepine, Jr., and that this Resolution be spread on the records of the Town Clerk and a copy thereof be presented to George J. Lepine, Jr.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN,  
Doris Haight, *Chairman*  
Charles Johnson, *Clerk*  
Eldon J. Moreira

A True Copy,  
Anna E. Brown,  
*Town Clerk*

#### RESOLUTION

Whereas, Michael Manugian has served the Town of West Bridgewater as a public

official from 1972 to 1981 as a member of the Board of Selectmen, three of those years as Chairman; and

Whereas, Michael Manugian has given of his time and effort unstintingly for these nine years; and

Whereas, Michael Manugian has brought distinction to his office as a Selectman and has always been in the forefront promoting the best interests of West Bridgewater; be it

Now, therefore, resolved:

That the Town of West Bridgewater expresses its deep appreciation to Michael Manugian and that this Resolution be spread on the records of the Town Clerk and a copy thereof be presented to Michael Manugian.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN,

Doris Haight, *Chairman*

Charles H. Johnson

Eldon J. Moreira

A True Copy,

Anna E. Brown,

*Town Clerk*

Doris Haight asked for a point of privilege. She presented the meeting with an explanation that the spending limit of the Town Meeting would be \$4,761,055, including money articles, due to the limitations of Proposition 2 1/2. This represented a cost of \$677,325 from last years' appropriation.

The Meeting proceeded as follows:

*Article 1.* To hear reports of all town Officers and Committees and act thereon.

**Voted:** The reports of all Town Officers and Committees be accepted as printed in the 1980 Town Report.

*Article 2. Voted Unanimously:* That the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow in the Anticipation of the Revenue of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1981 in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, C. 44, S. 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the General Laws., C. 44, S. 17.

*Article 3. Voted Unanimously:* The Board of Selectmen be authorized to enter into a contract or contracts with the Department of Public Works and the County Commissioners for the construction and maintenance of Public Highways for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1981.

*Article 4. Voted Unanimously:* To transfer the sum of \$1,821.63 from the County Dog Fund and the sum of \$3,214.50 State Aid Account to the Library Expense Account.



**Article 5. Voted Unanimously:** To authorize the School Committee to maintain a State-Aided Vocational program in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 74, G. L. as amended and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,200.00 for said expense.

**Article 6. Voted Unanimously:** To authorize the Council on Aging to apply for and expend Federal, State and/or private sector funds which may become available from time to time to provide services for West Bridgewater Elders.

**Article 7. Voted:** The Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint a committee of five (5) as an Energy Resource Commission as outlined in MGL, C. 40, S. 81.

**Article 8. Moved:** To authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell, lease or grant the Sunset Avenue School upon a vote of the School Committee that said building is no longer needed for school purposes. Upon a counted vote of Yes 56 — No 49, motion carried.

**Article 9. Moved:** That the sum of \$900.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Police Department to repaint and refit the unmarked car and cruiser No. 225.

Upon vote motion carried.

**Article 10. Moved:** To authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a contract to provide computer equipment and software for the use of Town Department and the sum of \$10,000.00 be raised and appropriated to meet such expense.

Upon a counted vote of Yes 82 — No 135, motion was defeated.

**Article 11. Voted:** To adopt a new schedule of fees to be charged by the Town Clerk in accord with MGL, C. 262, S. 34 as amended by S. 73 of Chapter 329 of the Acts of 1980.

Filing indexing assignment for the benefit of creditors from \$2.00 to \$5.00

For entering amendment of a record of birth of an illegitimate child subsequently legitimized from \$2.00 to \$5.00

For correcting errors in a record of birth, death, marriage from \$2.00 to \$5.00

For furnishing certificate of birth, death, marriage from \$2.00 to \$3.00

For furnishing abstract copy of a record of birth, death, marriage from \$1.00 to \$2.00

For entering delayed record of birth from \$2.00 to \$5.00

For filing certificate of a person conducting business under any title other than his real name from \$1.00 to \$10.00

Business Certificates-Discontinuance, retirement or withdrawal from \$.50 to \$5.00

Certified copy Business Certificate from \$.50 to \$3.00

Registering a person for the practice of podiatry in the Commonwealth from \$1.00 to \$10.00

Issuing & recording licenses to keepers of intelligence offices from \$25.00 to \$25.00

For issuing & recording licenses to Junk Dealers from \$50.00 to \$100.00

For issuing & recording licenses to Junk Collectors from \$25.00 to \$50.00

For issuing & recording Pawnbrokers licnese from \$50.00 to \$100.00

For issuing & recording licenses to keepers of billiard saloons, pool or sippio rooms or tables — 1st table \$25.00

each additional from \$10.00 to \$30.00 for the 1st and \$15.00 for each additional

For entering notice of intention of marriage & issuing certificate from \$4.00 to \$10.00

For entering certificate of marriage by persons married out of the Commonwealth from \$2.00 to \$3.00

For recording Power of Attorney from \$1.00 to \$5.00

For recording certificate of registration for optometrist, physician, osteopath from \$1.00 to \$10.00

For recording order granting location of Poles Conduits etc. — from \$3.50 to \$25.00 flat rate and \$5.00 additional fee for each street or way included in such order.

For examining records or papers relating to birth, death, or marriages not less than from \$2.00 to \$5.00

For copying any manuscript or record pertaining to birth, death or marriage from \$2.00 to \$3.00

For receiving and filing of a complete inventory of all items to be included in a “closing out sale” per page from \$1.00 to \$2.00

For filing a copy of written instrument or declaration of trust by the trustees of an association or trust, or any amendment thereof as provided by Sec. 2 Chap. 182 from \$5.00 to \$10.00

Recording any other documents \$5.00 1st page \$2.00 each additional page  
Voter's Identification Card \$2.00

Upon vote motion carried.

**Article 12. Voted Unanimously:** To change the dog license fees for the Town of West Bridgewater by amending said fees as follows: The fees for dog licenses shall be four (\$4.00) dollars for males and spayed females, and for unspayed females the fee shall be seven (\$7.00) dollars.

**Article 13. Moved:** To request the Board of Selectmen not to lay-off, discharge, or change the number of full-time Police Officers employed by the Town as of 1-1-81 and to fund the budget of the police department to ensure the same level of service is provided to the Town as has been in the past.

Town Counsel, J. Joseph Lydon, ruled that this article was illegal in his opinion. It would usurp the legal authority of the Board of Selectmen to appoint and dismiss members of the Police Department, the article was invalid. It was voted to pass this article without action.

**Article 14. Moved:** That the Board of Assessors be authorized to enter into a contract for a complete revaluation program for the Town of West Bridgewater to satisfy certification and classification requirements of Chapter 797 of the Acts of 1979 and that the sum of \$67,500.00 be raised and appropriated to meet such expense.

Upon a counted vote of Yes 84 — No 94 motion was defeated.

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting until Wednesday, June 3, 1981, at the

High School auditorium at 7:30 P.M. So voted.

A True Copy,  
Anna E. Brown,  
*Town Clerk*

ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING  
June 3, 1981

Meeting called to order at 7:30 P.M. by the Moderator, pro tem, Lawrence Conant. Board of Registrar checked 196 voters present.

Doris Haight asked for a point of privilege and gave the following information.

"Alicia Armstrong spoke the other night about "Freedom of Expression — An American Experiment." The Board of Selectmen felt that it was appropriate to give Alicia the opportunity to address this Town Meeting because of the relevance of her message. One of the things she said was that inherent in Freedom of Expression are certain responsibilities. You, as the Legislative Branch of the Town of West Bridgewater, have the responsibility to be informer. We, as elected officials, have the responsibility to inform to the best of our ability.

The reason I have asked and been granted this point of privilege to address you this evening is that on Monday night we failed in our responsibility. We take this opportunity to set that right.

For the past six months we have worked long and hard to implement Proposition 2 1/2 — the voters' mandate — and at the same time balance the interest of our employees, the taxpayers and the Town. We know what we have done, but we have failed to communicate that to you, the people of West Bridgewater. In my humble judgment we have done a good job giving you the numbers, however, the numbers don't tell you a thing about people and services and the prospects for 1981/1982.

Our first mistake was this . . . We who sit here before you do not consider ourselves politicians although many of us are elected. We feel that, because our sole motivation is the best interest of our community, you should take most of what we say on trust. Dead Wrong, and we apologize.

With everything that is being published today regarding corruption in government, you should not take much on trust. Since we serve on the local level, we are often hurt because we are not immune to that distrust of government.

It is this Town Meeting's prerogative to question our recommendations and sometimes substitute your judgment for ours. Although we may agree, we do recognize that right and we will support and defend your decisions. That is Democracy in action.

Issues and discussions on articles are often clouded by such comments as "This is Her Article" or "His or Her Baby." We try to set aside our personal feelings. Sometimes we feel so strongly about or have worked so hard on a plan or direction for the Town that our motives are questioned. For the record, West Bridgewater is the most important consideration for us and for you. Individual considerations and feelings must be subordinate to the whole. That has been the Board of Selectmen's



approach to this very difficult year.

This Town Meeting is WORK — a lot of work both for you and for us. But it should not be WAR! Whether we have disagreements or not, we are working together toward a common goal — a better West Bridgewater.

We have read with some concern of the skepticism people have regarding the implementation of Proposition 2 1/2. We can only address the actions of this Board, the Finance Committee, the School Committee and all others involved in the preparation of this warrant and this budget.

We are committed to making Proposition 2 1/2 work in West Bridgewater. Many of us voted for Proposition 2 1/2 not because we saw it as the answer to all of our problems but because we felt it would provide the Town with the opportunity and the incentive to deal with some very difficult problems that in better economic times have been ignored and avoided. In dealing with these problems, we have stepped on some toes, we have hurt some individuals and we certainly have put a lot of pressure on our employees, appointed and elected officials.

We have attempted to put the emphasis on improved efficiency and not on reduction of service. We feel that this is an on-going process. It cannot and will not be accomplished all in one year.

Our plans call for change through 1983. We have not approached Proposition 2 1/2 as if it is temporary. We think that tax and expenditure limitations are here to stay and we believe THAT'S GOOD!

We have tried to minimize the impact to all departments. We did not want to cripple any department to the point where that department would not be able to operate or would fail to exist entirely.

Our plans for 1981/1982 are as follows:

1. The elimination of two positions in the Town Hall Clerical staff. We realize that this puts a great deal of pressure on the remaining six employees and the elected officials. We feel that the work can get done. It will be difficult but not, in our opinion, impossible. The computer proposal was designed to reduce the burden placed on these remaining employees. The Town Hall functions are not a matter of life and death for individuals but are essential to the life of the Town. The Treasurer-Collector collects the money and pays the bills. The Town Clerk maintains required records. The Assessors are responsible to keep current the information upon which the Town relies to assess taxes. A town cannot survive without these functions.

2. Our plan calls for the elimination of three positions — one each in the Highway, Tree and Water Department. One position has been eliminated by attrition; one individual will be offered a transfer to another Department and one will be terminated. These budgets, as well as the Administrative budgets, have been trimmed to the bone.

3. The Fire Department and Police Department budgets — these have been the most difficult to deal with because arguments often succumb to emotionalism. We have said, and continue to say, that these areas are of top priority and of most concern. We also had the additional problem of trying to maintain the ambulance service



within the constraints and limitations of 2 1/2.

Fire Department. We feel that we have developed a viable plan for fire protection and ambulance service for the Town. In our judgment our proposal will provide better protection for the Town as well as for the Firefighter/EMT's. The plan does call for the elimination of two positions — one of which has already been affected through retirement. This plan has not been discussed publicly before because it was incumbent upon us to discuss it, through negotiations, with the firefighters. Details will be discussed under the Budget recommendation.

Police Department. Again, there are changes in working conditions which, in our judgment, will not affect the services provided to the Town. This budget does reflect a reduction of three positions from seventeen to fourteen. One has been eliminated by retirement. Two other officers will be laid off. Again, in our judgment, we feel that we can provide adequate police protection with fourteen men.

4. Almost all other Budgets have been level funded or reduced.

5. In fairness to our remaining employees, we have proposed through negotiations a five percent increase in salaries. At this date, negotiations are far from completed. In good faith bargaining, it is our intention to commit a portion of anticipated additional state aid assigned to General Government to meet this commitment. Such a decision, I will point out, would be subject to Special Town Meeting approval.

1982/1983. Our focus will be on how the Town meets its insurance needs, — including Casualty, Vehicle and Group Health. We will address pension costs. We will ask and work for repeal of statutes that put further limitations on local governments.

1983/1984. We propose the establishment of a Department of Public Works which will consolidate the Highway, Tree and Water Departments and the Transfer Station under the jurisdiction of an elected Board of Public Works Commissioners. This proposal is subject to ballot approval of the voters at an annual election. We feel this will result in cost savings and greater efficiency. Detailed discussion will take place under Article 16.

Finally, the Board of Selectmen, by majority vote, has adjusted the budget recommendations presented to you Monday to reflect the defeat of Article 10 — computer. The Treasurer/Collector, Assessors and Election and Registration budgets have been increased by \$3,200 to cover existing service bureau costs. The remaining \$6,800 has been added to the Police Department budget.

We have not applied the \$68,000 (the cost of revaluation and maps) because we do not feel that action is in the best interest of the Town. The Board of Selectmen have received information that failure to fund that article will result in the Department of Revenue's filing a suit against the Town and its Board of Selectmen asking for a court order to implement a revaluation plan to be determined by that Department. The Board of Assessors has contacted five of the seven communities mentioned Monday. All five are in the process of revaluation. Three funded their Assessors revaluation plan at a Special Town Meeting. The other two are being done by the State with costs deducted from this year's Cherry Sheet and held in escrow. In addition, the Department has notified the Assessors that our Fiscal Year 1983 tax rate will not be approved until the revaluation is completed and accepted by the State.

The Board of Selectmen, therefore, by majority vote would recommend that this Town Meeting vote under Article 33 to reserve \$8,000 in the Surplus Account to meet this expenditure at a Special Town Meeting.

If this amount is appropriated at this Town Meeting other than in the way we recommend, there will be no other funds available to meet this expenditure. Additional State Aid is a possibility. However, if such expenditure comes out of State Aid, any union contract settlement will by necessity have to be absorbed in the voted budgets further impacting on recommended service levels.

Hours, days, months of work, investigation and meetings have gone into this Town Meeting. It is very discouraging to us when it is not apparent. I personally regret that because of lack of communication on our part, we appeared ill-prepared to meet this challenge. We will all have to live with the decisions made at this Town Meeting. You can count on this Board, and all your other public servants to uphold, defend and implement this Town Meeting's wishes.

Thank you for your attention and your patience."

The meeting then proceeded as follows:

**Article 15. Voted:** To pass without action.

**Article 16. Moved:** That the following question be placed on the Town Election Ballot for the year 1982:

"Shall sections Sixty-Nine C to Sixty-Nine F, inclusive, of Chapter forty-one of the General Laws, providing for the establishment of a Board of Public Works exercising the power of certain other departments and Town Officers be accepted?"

Upon vote motion defeated.

**Article 17. Moved:** To amend the Town of West Bridgewater By-Laws by deleting Article VII, Section 8 and substituting the following as a New section 8:

"The Selectmen shall have printed annual reports of the Town ready for distribution and shall have copies thereof available at the Town Hall and the West Bridgewater Public Library not later than April 1."

Motion was made to amend words Police Station after the word Library. Upon counted vote of Yes 68 — No 86, motion to amend was defeated.

Upon vote, original motion defeated.

**Article 18. Moved:** To amend the Town of West Bridgewater By-Laws by deleting Article VII, Section 9 and substituting the following as a New section 9.

"The Selectmen shall make available a list of all taxpayers and amount paid by each every third year beginning 1982. Such list to be filed with the Town Clerk and at the West Bridgewater Public Library."

Amendment made to delete word paid and insert word assessed. Amendment carried upon vote.

Upon vote motion carried.

**Article 19. Moved:** To amend the Town of West Bridgewater By-Laws by amending Article IV, Finance Section 7 by deleting the following:

“The Finance Committee, through its executive board, shall annually submit a printed report of its recommendations and findings to the voters of the Town, this report to be ready for distribution at least one week before the date of the Annual Town Meeting,” and substituting therefore the following:

“The Finance Committee, through its executive board, shall annually submit a printed report of its recommendations and findings to the voters of the Town, this report to be available at the Town Hall and at the West Bridgewater Public Library at least one week before the date of the Annual Town Meeting.”

Upon vote motion defeated.

**Article 20. Moved:** To rescind an action taken at the 1970 Annual Town Meeting, Article 20, “That the Town vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 835 of the Acts of 1970, an act establishing a career incentive pay program for regular full-time Police Officers and providing for partial reimbursement by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for certain cities and Towns.” Said act is administered under Mass. General Law, Chapter 41, Section 108L as amended.

Upon a Ballot vote of Yes 96 – No 103 motion defeated.

**Article 21. Moved:** To authorize the Police Chief to make application to the Governor’s Highway Safety Bureau for a motorcycle and radio and other necessary equipment and further to authorize the Finance Committee to transfer from the reserve fund \$6,500.00 to meet such expenditure in anticipation of 100% reimbursement.

Amendment made to raise and appropriate from Taxation the sum of \$6,500.00.

Upon vote amendment defeated.

Upon vote on main motion defeated.

**Article 22. Moved:** To amend the Town of West Bridgewater By-Laws Article XXXIV – Dog Leash Law Section 5 by deleting the following: “Penalties for violation of this By-Law at \$5.00 for first offense; Second violation within six months, \$8.00; Third or more violations within six months of first violation, \$10.00. Any violation which results in personal injury or property damage in excess of twenty-five dollars a \$25.00 fine and substituting therefor the following:

“Penalties for violation of this By-Law are \$10.00 for first offense; Second violation within six months, \$15.00; Third or more violations within six months of first violation, \$20.00. Any violation which results in personal injury or property damage in excess of twenty-five dollars a \$25.00 fine.”

Moved to amend the motion by charging \$20.00 for first offense; Second violation within six months, \$30.00; Third or more violations within six months of first violation, \$40.00. Any violation which results in a personal injury or property damage in excess of twenty-five dollars a \$50.00 fine.”

Upon vote motion to amend fines to higher amount was carried.

**Article 23. Moved:** To authorize the Board of Selectmen to take whatever action necessary to provide the Town with the option, at an Election, to override Proposition 2 1/2 for the current fiscal year or any subsequent year as may be provided



within the provisions of C580 of the Acts of 1980 as amended.

After much discussion motion was made to table article until after Article 32.  
Upon vote motion defeated.

Upon ballot vote on original motion of Yes 64 — No 111 motion was defeated.

Motion made to adjourn town meeting until Thursday evening, 7:30 P.M., June 11, 1981 at Jr.-Sr. High School Auditorium.

So voted.

A True Copy,  
Anna E. Brown,  
*Town Clerk*

## ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING

June 11, 1981

Meeting called to order by Moderator Charles L. Hill at 7:30 P.M. Lawrence Conant call for a point of Privilege and welcomed Charles Hill back as Moderator. 219 voters checked in.

Moderator then called for a moment of silence for the passing of Erland Thayer.

A resolution was offered by Doris Haight, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen.

## RESOLUTION

Whereas, Erland W. Thayer served as a member of the West Bridgewater School Committee for twelve years; and

Whereas, Erland W. Thayer served as the Town's representative to the Old Colony Planning Council Joint Transportation Committee for seven years;

Whereas, Erland W. Thayer faithfully and conscientiously served the Town of West Bridgewater in unpaid and voluntary capacities which have benefited the Town; and

Whereas, the Town of West Bridgewater has lot a kind and generous public servant with high courage and unswerving devotion to principle; be it

Now, therefore, resolved:

That the Town Clerk be instructed to spread this tribute to our friend and neighbor on our official records and a copy thereof be sent to his widow and family with sincere expressions of our sympathy.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN,  
Doris Haight, *Chairman*  
Charles H. Johnson, *Clerk*  
Eldon F. Moreira



The meeting proceeded as follows:

**Article 24. Voted Unanimously:** To raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to be expended by the Police Department to purchase four (4) Autotherm Energy Conservation systems for the Police Cruisers.

**Article 25. Voted:** To pass this article without action.

**Article 26. Moved:** To authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell for a consideration of \$1,600.00 a parcel of land approximately 7,925 square feet and identified a portion of lot 30 - 1 on Assessors Map F-7 said sale shall be at no expense to the Town of West Bridgewater.

Upon counted vote of Yes 79 -- No 84 motion defeated.

At this point in the meeting Gary Boyd, Chairman of the Board of Assessors asked for reconsideration of Article 14 on Revaluation.

Upon vote of Yes 140 -- No 30, motion carried to reconsider.

**Voted:** That the Board of Assessors be authorized to enter into a contract for a complete revaluation program for the Town of West Bridgewater to satisfy certification and classification requirements of Chapter 797 of the Acts of 1979 and that the sum of \$67,500.00 be raised and appropriated to meet such expense.

**Moved:** To reconsider Article 15. Upon an unanimous vote motion carried.

**Moved:** That the sum of \$500.00 be raised and appropriated to be spent by the Board of Assessors to prepare plans necessary for the revaluation.

Upon vote motion carried.

**Article 27. Voted:** To amend the Town of West Bridgewater By-Laws Article VIII Sanitation, Section 1:

“No cesspools, septic tank, permanent privy-vault, or other means of sewage disposal shall hereafter be constructed or installed in this Town until a permit has first been obtained from the Board of Health. Fee for such permit to be twenty-five dollars.” By deleting the last sentence and substituting therefor: “The fee for such permit shall be determined by the Board of Health.”

**Article 28. Moved:** To amend the Town of West Bridgewater By-Laws Article VIII Sanitation by adding a new section 14 to read as follows:

“Whoever violates the rules and regulations of the Board of Health relative to the transfer station operation may be subject to a fine of not less than \$50.00 nor more than \$100.00.”

Amendment voted to strike out \$50.00 so that it would read, to a fine of not more than \$100.00.

Motion carried.

**Article 29. Moved:** To authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into negotiations with the Trustees of Brookwest Realty Trust to sell or lease all right, title and interest in land adjacent to West Center Street and Lot 17 -2 Assessors map C9 from the Town to said Trust at 700 West Center Street, upon the Town's determination and satisfaction that said title is within the Town. All engineering, legal and other associated costs to be paid for by Brookwest Realty Trust.

Upon vote motion defeated.

**Article 30. Voted:** To authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell at auction a parcel of land on Lincoln Street comprising of approximately .31 acre and identified as lot 5 on Assessors map D9.

**Article 31. Voted:** That the salary of the following elected Town Officers for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1981 be set at:

Moderator	\$ 140.00	Tree Warden	\$18,991.00
Selectmen	3,983.00	Assessors	6,039.00
Town Clerk	12,530.00	Water Commissioners	2,781.00
Treasurer-Collector	17,373.00	Board of Health	1,041.00

The following committees to serve without pay:

Library Trustee, School Committee, Planning Board.

Selectmen Chairman, Receive \$1,534.00, other two members \$1,224.48 each.  
Assessors, \$2,013.00 each, Water Commissioners, Chairman \$1,104.00, Clerk \$896.88, other member \$780.12, Board of Health \$347.00 each.

**Article 32. Moved:** The sum of \$4,681,555.00 as recommended by the Finance Committee in their report revised 6-10-81. Said sum of \$4,681,555.00 to be appropriated by Department Salary and Expense Totals as printed with revisions of 6-10-81 and to meet such expenditure as follows:

1. Library A/c (No. 28) \$53,987.00 reduced by Library State Aid and County Dog Fund as voted in Article 4. The remainder \$48,950.87 from Taxation.
2. Water Dept. (No. 30) \$114,722.00 from Water Revenue.
3. Street Lights (No. 34) \$31,300.00 from Revenue Sharing.
4. Insurance Casualty (No. 40) \$42,385.00 from Revenue Sharing, \$12,147.00 from Taxation.
5. Insurance Group (No. 41) \$109,000.00 from Revenue Sharing.
6. Bonds & Interest (No. 50.2) \$25,278.00 from Water Revenue, \$42,767.00 from Taxation.
7. Travel Out-of-State — Police (line No. 11.17) \$500.00, Fire \$400.00.

The following budgets were reviewed as printed in the Finance Committee report:

Moderator	\$ 140.00
Finance Committee	150.00

Selectmen	27,519.00
Accountant	7,837.00
Treasurer-Collector	41,073.00
Assessors	15,408.00
Law	13,500.00
Town Clerk	14,940.00
Election and Registration	6,213.00
Town Hall	18,520.00
Police	433,162.00
Fire Department & Station	168,020.00
Tree Warden & Parks	55,167.00
Sealer of Weights & Measurer	685.00
Inspector of Wires	1,160.00
Inspector of Buildings	12,130.00
Inspector of Gas & Plumbing	1,525.00
Dog Officer	13,526.00
Civil Defense	550.00
Planning Board	2,075.00
Board of Appeals	700.00
Conservation Commission	750.00
Board of Health	91,810.00
Highway	203,963.00

Moved to table the main motion until Monday June 15, 1981 at 7:30 P.M. at the Jr.-Sr. High School auditorium. Meeting recessed at 11:15 P.M. Meeting resumed June 15, 1981 at 7:30 P.M.

Veterans Services	22,509.00
Town Schools	2,572,862.00
Southeastern Regional Vocational	59,276.00
* Library	53,987.00
Industrial Development	50.00
Industrial Development Finance Authority	100.00
* Water, from Water Revenue	114,722.00
Recreation	4,080.00
Council on Aging	6,765.00
* Street Lights (From Revenue Sharing)	31,300.00
Contributory Retirement	141,554.00
Memorial & Veterans Day	300.00
Town Reports	5,000.00
Christmas Decorations	150.00
Reserve Fund	35,000.00
* Insurance Casualty (From Revenue Sharing & Taxation)	54,532.00
Insurance Group (From Revenue Sharing)	109,000.00
Memorial Field	500.00
County Aid Agriculture	100.00
Tennis Courts	200.00



Historical Commission	150.00
Multi Health Service	3,936.00
Engineering Service	1,000.00
Fuel Department Maintenance	250.00
State Unemployment Insurance	34,000.00
* Bonds & Interest	299,710.00

Upon a unanimous vote motion carried.

*Article 33.* Passed without action.

*Article 34.* To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

A vote of thanks was given to Lawrence Conant for a job well done in conducting the meeting on June 1st and 3rd.

Also, a vote of thanks was given to the Town Officials who worked hard in preparing the budget to be presented to the townspeople.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 P.M.

A True Copy,  
Anna E. Brown,  
Town Clerk

## Special Town Meeting October 6, 1981

Meeting of which the inhabitants of the Town of West Bridgewater qualified to vote in Election and Town Affairs was held at the Jr.-Sr. High School Auditorium on Tues, Oct. 6, 1981. Meeting called to order at 7:30 P.M. by the Moderator, Charles L. Hill. It was noted that 152 registered voters were present, 3 guests and Fire Chief Charles Dyke, non-resident.

The reading of the warrant was dispensed with.

Meeting proceeded as follows:

**Article 1. Moved and Seconded:** The sum of \$7,920.00 be appropriated and transferred from E. & D. to pay a fiscal 1980-1981 School bill for Kindergarten transportation.

Upon vote motion carried.

**Article 2. Moved and Seconded:** The sum of \$113,564.00 be appropriated and transferred from E. & D. to be expended by the School Committee to pay school salaries and expenses for the remainder of fiscal 1981-1982.

Motion made to amend figure to \$100,000.00 and cut all sports.

Upon vote the sum of \$113,564.00 was carried.

**Article 3. Moved and Seconded:** The sum of \$12,000.00 be appropriated and transferred from E. & D. to rehire one patrolman for the Police Department.



Upon vote motion carried.

**Article 4. Moved and Seconded:** The sum of \$2,157.65 be appropriated and transferred from E. & D. to pay bills outstanding for fiscal year ended 6/30/81.

Upon unanimous vote motion carried.

**Article 5. Moved and Seconded:** The sum of \$47,029.00 be appropriated and transferred from E. & D. to be expended to meet wage increases for employees in the clerical unit and the Highway, Tree, Water & Health Department units and wage increases for employees not covered by the bargaining units.

Upon vote motion carried., unanimously.

**Article 6. Moved and Seconded:** The sum of \$8,024.00 be appropriated and transferred from E. & D. to add to the \$59,276.00 appropriated at the June 1, 1981 Annual Town Meeting for the 1981-1982 Southeastern Regional Vocational Technical High School budget.

Upon a counted vote of Yes 75 – No 60 motion carried.

**Article 7. Moved and Seconded:** The sum of \$1,200.00 be appropriated and transferred from E. & D. to install stainless steel toilet facilities in the Police Station cell blocks.

Upon vote motion carried.

**Article 8. Moved and Seconded:** The sum of \$28,319.00 be appropriated and transferred from E. & D. to meet the Town's share of \$7,079.75 and in anticipation of reimbursement of the State's share of \$21,239.25 for State aid construction and maintenance.

Upon unanimous vote motion carried.

**Article 9. Moved and Seconded:** The town vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 351, Acts of 1981, Section 115 Subsection 20A 1/2 that established the position of Parking Clerk as follows:

Section 20A 1/2. In the Cities of Boston and Cambridge and in any city or town which accepts the provisions of this section, each manager in a city having Plan D or E form of charter or the mayor, with the approval of the city council or board of aldermen in any other city, or the town council or board of selectmen of a town shall designate or appoint a parking clerk. The parking clerk shall report to the council or aldermen of a city, the council or board of selectmen of a town and shall supervise and coordinate the processing of parking notices in such city or town. The Parking Clerk shall have the authority, subject to the approval of the mayor and council or aldermen in a city or town council or selectmen in a town to hire or designate such personnel as may be necessary or contract by competitive bid for such services subject to appropriation to carry out the provisions of this section, provided however, that all persons employed by the clerk shall be subject to the provisions of chapter thirty-one and shall be filled in the cities of Boston and Cambridge by preferencing persons who had been employees of these cities in the fire, police or traffic crossing guard service, and further, that in no case shall the amount expended for administration of this section exceed eleven per cent of the total amount of

receipts collected by the parking clerk.

It shall be the duty of every police officer who takes cognizance of a violation of any provision of any rule, regulation, order, ordinance or by-law regulating the parking of motor vehicles established for their respective city or town, forthwith to give the offender a notice, which shall be in tag form as provided in this section, to appear before the parking clerk of the city or town wherein the violation occurred at any time during regular office hours, not later than twenty-one days after the date of such violation. All tags shall be prepared in triplicate and shall be prenumbered.

Said tag shall be affixed securely to the motor vehicle and shall contain, but shall not be limited to the following information: The registration number of the motor vehicle involved, the date, time and place of the violation, the specific violation charged and if a meter violation, the number of said meter, the name and badge number of the officer and his division, a schedule of established fines, instructions for the return of the tag, and a notice which reads as follows: This notice may be returned by mail, personally, or by an authorized person. A hearing may be obtained upon the written request of the registered owner. Failure to obey this notice within twenty-one days after the date of violation will result in the non-renewal of the license to drive and the registration of the registered owner.

At or before the completion of each tour of duty, the officer shall give to his commanding officer those copies of each notice of such violation taken cognizance of during such tour. Said commanding officer shall retain and safely preserve one of such copies and shall at a time no later than the beginning of the next business day of the city or town after receipt of such notice deliver another of such copies to the parking clerk before whom the offender has been notified to appear. The parking clerk shall maintain a docket of all such notices to appear.

Any person notified to appear before the parking clerk, as provided herein, may appear before such parking clerk, or his designee, and confess the offense charged, either personally or through an agent duly authorized in writing or by mailing to such parking clerk the notice accompanied by the fine provided therein, such payment to be made only by postal note, money order or check made out to the parking clerk. Payment of the fine established shall operate as a final disposition of the case. Notice affixed to a motor vehicle as provided in this section, shall be deemed a sufficient notice, and a certificate of the officer affixing such notice that it has been affixed thereto, in accordance with this section, shall be deemed prima facie evidence thereof and shall be admissible in any judicial or administrative proceeding as to the facts contained therein.

The traffic and parking commission of the city of Boston, the traffic commission or traffic director of any other city or town having such a commission or director with authority to promulgate traffic rules, the city council of any other city, and the board of selectmen of any other town, shall, from time to time, establish by rule or regulation a schedule of fines for violations subject to this section committed within such city or town; provided, however, that all such fines shall be uniform for the same offense committed in the same zone or district, if any; and provided,



further, that any fine established under the provisions of this section shall not exceed fifteen dollars, if paid within twenty-one days, twenty dollars if paid thereafter but before the parking clerk reports to the registrar as provided below, and thirty-five dollars if paid thereafter.

Should any person notified to appear hereunder fail to appear and, if a fine is provided hereunder, to pay the same, or having appeared desire not to avail himself of the benefits of the procedure established by this section, the officers concerned shall forthwith schedule the matter before a person hereafter referred to as a hearing officer, said hearing officer to be the parking clerk of the city or town wherein the violation occurred or such other person or persons as the parking clerk may designate. Written notice of the date, time and place of said hearing shall be sent by first-class mail to the registered owner. Said hearing shall be informal, the rules of evidence shall not apply and the decision of the hearing officer shall be final subject to judicial review as provided by section fourteen of chapter thirty A.

If any person fails to appear in accordance with said notice the parking clerk shall notify the registrar, who shall place the matter on record and not renew the license to operate a motor vehicle of the registered owner of the vehicle or the registration of a vehicle registered to the registered owner of the vehicle until after notice from the parking clerk that the matter has been disposed of in accordance with law. It shall be the duty of the parking clerk to notify the registrar forthwith that such case has been so disposed of. The notice to appear, provided herein, shall be printed in such form as the registrar of motor vehicles may prescribe. The parking clerk shall distribute such notices to the commanding officer of the police department of the city or town upon request, and shall take a receipt therefor. The registrar shall prescribe such other forms as he deems appropriate to implement this section. Said forms shall be printed and used by the cities and towns.

As used in this section, the words "motor vehicle" shall, so far as apt, include trailer, semi-trailer and semi-trailer unit.

The provisions of this section shall apply to violations of rules and regulations relative to the use of parking areas subject to the control of the county commissioners adjacent to or abutting county buildings, and county commissioners are hereby authorized to make such rules and regulations. Said provisions shall also apply to violations of rules and regulations relative to the parking of motor vehicles established by any commission or body empowered to make such rules and regulations. In the Cities of Boston and Cambridge no schedule of fines for violations not in effect prior to June first, nineteen hundred and eighty-one shall be enforceable unless approved by a legislative act of the General Court.

Upon vote motion carried.

**Article 10. Moved and Seconded:** The Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of surplus property at the Sunset Avenue School and the Spring Street School.

Upon unanimous vote motion carried.

Motion was made to reconsider Article 6. Upon vote of Yes 32 – No 71 motion was defeated 2/3 vote needed.

A moment of silence was observed for the late Mary Nelson who passed away this week. She had been a teacher in our school system for over 40 years before retiring.

A Civic Service Award was presented to Warren E. Turner for his service over the years in operating the public address system at the town meetings.

Board of Selectmen Chairman, Doris Haight invited those present to attend the Energy Committee meeting in the high school study hall. She explained that West Bridgewater had been chosen to compete in the international Energy Days Competition October 14-17, against five other New England Towns and communities representing the five Eastern Canadian Provinces. Three days of activities had been planned.

Motion made to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 P.M.

A True Copy,  
Anna E. Brown,  
*Town Clerk*



# Births Recorded in West Bridgewater — 1981

## January

2	Thomas John Sniger	James Frederick & Lynn Ann Doherty
15	Justin Todd Anderson	Robert D. & Diane L. Berry
28	Jill Marie DeMayo	Thomas A. & Catherine A. McCarthy

## February

23	Kerrie Anne Tobey	Benjamin W. & Cynthia A. Belmore
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## March

10	Courtney Elizabeth Bunpus	Chalmer Paul & Karen Ann Kelly
12	Jason Harold White	Harold Melvin & Darlene Sharon Wright
18	Caitlin Haley	Daniel Joseph & Joan Margaret Kubler
18	Caroline Juliet Craig	Joseph Michael & Linda Irene Benedict
22	Brian William King	James Eugene & Susan Marie Green
26	Brittany Marie Ashforth	William Robert & Michelle Pauline Saffioti
28	Jessie Ann Wirth	Kevin Barry & Anita Marie Gomes

## April

3	Jessica Marie Rogers	Joseph III & Denise A. Sharpe
13	Veronica Jeanne Conant	Lawrence D. & Jeanne H. Cushing
14	William John Patton	William A. & Patricia L. Ponte
15	Sarah Jane Walsh	Joseph J. & Charlene M. Gurney
24	Sarah Jane Clarke	David & Nancy Calahan
24	Kristen Ann Engstrom	Bruce E. & Judy A. Richard
24	Ian Keith O'Brien	Bruce W. & Pamela S. Keith
26	Victoria Eva DeGeorge	Roland G. & Elizabeth J. Benoit

## May

4	Derek Michael Page	Gerard W. & Cheryl L. Anderson
6	Jeffrey James Kennedy	James F. & Marcia J. Lindsay
6	Rebecca Anne Winfrey	Randall N. & Donna L. Gingras
16	Jody Martin McKinnon	Robert M. & Carol Ann Vareika
20	David Michael Holak	John M. & Catherine A. Massa
27	Kristen Jean Burnie	Walter J. & Sylvia Anne Cooper
28	Andrea Marie Perry	Joseph A. & Linda M. Zamaitis
31	Stephanie Lynn Mardo	Joseph E. & Lorraine M. Smith

## June

11	Steven Andrew Potwin	Vincent R. & Jeannette M. Fontaine
20	Melissa Eve Milcendeau	Yann H. & Jacqueline S. Noyes

## July

2 Christopher James Yafrate  
9 Alexander John Tratzinski  
20 Cecilia Marie DePina  
26 Brian Charles Peter

James N. & Jacqueline M. Lopresti  
Robert F. & Margaret A. Clouten  
Edgar A. & Christine Monsini  
Robert R. & Nancy A. MacDonald

## August

5 Geoffrey Carlson Churchill  
8 Peter Jacob Anderson  
22 Keryn Elizabeth Kwan  
29 Rosanne Marie DiCicco  
30 Nichole Lynn Dudley  
31 Anne Elizabeth Whittemore

Christopher Edward & Margaret Sue Carlson  
George R. & Judith Cummings  
Arthur A. & Cynthia J. Snow  
Paul M. & Helen F. Crickard  
Christopher & Virginia Lynn Melendy  
David R. & Deidre J. Vreeland

## September

2 Alisa Ann Beretta  
8 Christopher Andrew Mendes  
13 Rebecca Ann Russell  
23 Kellie Ann Look  
27 Keith Grady Ross

Louis L. & Laurie A. Provost  
Noel Avelino & Diane V. Higgins  
Jeffrey P. & Susan E. Limbey  
Dennis M. & Debra A. Gouldrup  
Robert Edward & Janice Corbett

## October

3 Heather Ann Baracchini  
10 Keith Michael Vera  
15 Kathryn R. Pensinger  
20 Christopher Joseph Schneider

Philip S. & Holly A. MacDonald  
Leonard J. & Georgia-Ruth Pappas  
Allen Scott & Laura Anne Calitri  
Richard Robert & Kathleen Louise Donahue

## November

3 Earle William Pitt, III  
9 Felicia Jesse Graves  
14 Kyle Travis Magliano  
21 Jacy Carey Everett  
23 Laura Elizabeth Pye  
29 John Robert McCann

Earle William, Jr. & Cheryl A. Brenton  
Richard Donald & Ina Susan Huges  
Michael Francis & Sharon Jean Kelley  
Paul Scott & Patricia Margaret Carey  
Charles Gordon III & Susan Ellen Meyer  
James Ignatius & Linda Huddleston

## December

2 Albert Alger Howard II  
4 Michael Gary Brides  
10 Christopher Edward Raposa  
17 Matthew Edward Gardner  
23 Holly Ann Swiderski

Clinton Parker & Cynthia/Ruth Charland  
Gary Michael & Donna Louise Giovannello  
Charles Alfred, Jr. & Janice Marie Lupica  
Edward M. & Catherine L. Briggs  
Michael C. & Ann E. Johnson

# Deaths Recorded in West Bridgewater — 1981

## January

4	Charles Warren Winslow	71	Heart Disease
7	Virginia Margaret Hirst	66	Acute Myocardial Infarction
7	Leah Handel Arnone	85	Senility
9	Percy George Feistel	81	Congestive Heart Failure
15	Althea Henderson	80	Heart Disease

## February

5	Emma C. Moreira	76	Multiple Head, Chest, Injuries, Accidental
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## March

12	Walter Howard Staples	77	Pneumothorax
21	Margaret Mary Kent	77	Metastatic Endometrial Cancer
24	Janet A. Glaser	31	Bilateral Pneumonitis
26	Harold Carmon Bishop	69	Metastatic Carcinoma Kidney

## April

3	Caroline Picard Philippart	69	Cardiac Failure
5	Paul Gustaf Anderson	62	Cerebral Edema
7	Lillian Ward Rogers	94	Arteriosclerosis
9	John Everett Howard	79	Myocardial Infarction
14	Alice Elizabeth Ross	72	Heart Disease — Arteriosclerotic
15	Frances E. Carlson	62	Respiratory Arrest
27	Joseph Francis Lynch	66	Lepatic Failure

## May

2	Albert Alger Howard	86	Congestive Heart Failure
2	Grace Evelyn Alger	86	Metastatic Carcinoma of Breast
7	Jon Porceillo	21	Fracture of Skull with Contusion and Hemorrhage of Brain, Accident
7	Walter Hallett Emerson	62	Respiratory Failure, Pneumonia
13	Florence Martha Keeler	84	Chronic Uremia
14	William Douglas Adams	49	Acute Myocardial Ischemia with Arrhymia
19	Daniel Justin Burnap	1 day	Cardiorespiratory Arrest
22	Geraldine Viola Tsika	55	Carcinomatosis

## June

4	Erland Williams Thayer	70	Ventricular Fibrillation
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## July

17	Bessie Louise Davock	99	Cerebral Vascular Disease
26	Baby Boy Peter	50 min	Perinatal Asphyxia

## August

3	Beatrice Simmons	64	Myocardial Infarction
10	Ebba Alfrida Anderson	84	Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease
21	Manuel B. Piver	91	Myocardial Infarction
31	Earle H. Waite	67	Lung Cancer

## September

10	George Arthur Knox	62	Vascular Fibrillation & Progress— Congestive Heart Failure
10	Marion Alice Payne	67	Metastatic Breast Cancer
18	Ellen B. Hill	66	Heart Disease, Presumably Arteriosclerotic
19	Edna Maude Height	80	Congestive Heart Failure
24	Amelia Seyfert	72	Arterio Myocardial Infarction
25	Peter A. Lanzikos	28	Massive Internal Hemorrhage from Transection of Descending Thoracic Aorta caused by Accident
25	Michael Theodore Poirier	24	Massive Internal Hemorrhage from Transected Thoracic Aorta caused by Accident

## October

4	Catherine E. Marble	76	Brain Tumor — Natural Causes
4	Mary Elizabeth Nelson	67	Cardiogenic Shock Secondary to Arteriosclerotic Heart
7	Doris May Madan	74	Congestive Heart Failure
11	Rose G. Dufault	87	Bilateral Pneumonia
12	Gerald Vincent Kavanagh	69	Terminal Squamous Cell Carcinoma Neck
24	Edith Lane Dunbar	83	Arteriosclerosis — Cerebral and Coronary
30	John J. Welch	78	Cardiopulmonary Arrest

## November

1	Hazel Gertrude Bourne	84	Cardiac Arrest
17	Anne B. Twomey	60	Metastatic Renal Cell Carcinoma
26	Helen Souza	86	Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease

## December

6	Katharine Brown James	88	Metastatic (Lungs, Brain) Carcinoma of Left Kidney
7	Joseph Souza	88	Respiratory Failure — Pneumonia
18	Anthony Frank DeMolles	82	Heart Disease, Presumably Arteriosclerotic
20	Nettie Wilbur	92	Respiratory Arrest
29	John Joseph Murray	54	Cerebral Hemorrhage
27	Marion Leslie Hoyt	84	Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease



# Marriages Recorded in West Bridgewater — 1981

## January

- 2 David R. Britton & Elizabeht A. Gerald of West Bridgewater in West Bridgewater  
3 Steven F. Eldridge of West Bridgewater & Joan A. Bulman of East Bridgewater in West Bridgewater  
31 Stephen P. Kujanpaa of Middleboro & Susan J. Willis of West Bridgewater in West Bridgewater

## February

- 14 Thomas H. King & Natalie J. Benefit of West Bridgewater in Brockton  
20 Ronald K. Harvley & Mary E. Lanzikos of Bridgewater in Brockton  
28 John P. Steeves & Catherine E. Cook of West Bridgewater in Brockton  
28 Peter Murphy & Marie Doiron of Middleboro in Taunton  
28 Andrew Spinola & Lois MacRoberts of West Bridgewater in Abington

## March

- 14 Stephen J. Enos & Cathleen G. Smith of West Bridgewater in East Bridgewater  
14 Eugene F. Fierlit, Jr. & Debra Jean Macek of Pawtucket, R.I. in West Bridgewater  
21 Frank A. Tukis & Donna M. Willis of West Bridgewater in West Bridgewater  
23 John M. Kelly of West Bridgewater & Rita Amick of Kingston in West Bridgewater

## April

- 6 James H. Hildreth & Patricia A. Isabel of West Bridgewater in West Bridgewater  
7 Roy C. Smith & Susan A. Buell of West Bridgewater in West Bridgewater

## May

- 2 Donald Adams & Cheryl A. Hayes of West Bridgewater in South Weymouth  
2 Frederick Clairmont of Brockton & Jeanne McDonald of West Bridgewater in West Bridgewater  
2 Howard R. Keith of West Bridgewater & Joanne M. O'Connor of Plympton in West Bridgewater  
9 Steven M. O'Donnell of Brockton & Pamela A. Brown of West Bridgewater in West Bridgewater  
9 Michael Cappiello of Brockton & Brenda Murphy of West Bridgewater in West Bridgewater  
9 Thomas E. Lennon of Randolph & Cynthia T. Black of Stoughton in Sharon  
16 Brian J. Vachon & Denise Savage of South Weymouth in West Bridgewater  
17 Chester Anderson of West Bridgewater & Julie Chaplic of Brockton in Brockton

- 22 Russell F. Hamblin & Sandra J. Cole of Brockton in Whitman
- 23 David Maheux & Judy Jensen of Brockton in Brockton
- 23 Gary Bossardt of Brockton & Lynne A. Chaves of West Bridgewater in West  
Bridgewater

#### June

- 6 Scott L. Ohlson & Theresa L. Calnan in Brockton

#### July

- 7 John H. Gaquinn & Terry L. Shearing in East Bridgewater
- 11 John A. Norvish & Janet M. Fontinha in West Bridgewater
- 11 David J. Powell & Debra A. Johnson in West Bridgewater

#### August

- 1 John R. Collins & Geraldine L. Erickson in Randolph
- 15 Thomas E. Canzano & Christina Lynn Babicz in West Bridgewater
- 22 John W. Sullivan & Dolores A. Bissett in Bridgewater
- 22 Marcus A. Beals & Carole E. Tzvetnovitch in West Bridgewater
- 28 Stewart J. Young & Paula D. Blackmur in Needham
- 29 David A. Churchill & Kathleen L. Conniff in West Bridgewater

#### September

- 4 Wayne T. Burnap & Judith K. Flaherty in Brockton
- 5 Michael J. Price & Sarah Hrenko in East Bridgewater
- 5 Paul McGonigle & Kathleen McCaffrey in West Bridgewater
- 19 Timothy Easton & Nancy Andre in West Bridgewater
- 19 Peter W. Carlson & Debra L. Isenberg in East Bridgewater
- 25 Robert H. Post & Diane M. Pierson in East Bridgewater
- 26 Steven A. Meleo & Barbara J. Benvie in West Bridgewater

#### October

- 2 Michael Young & Michele Pina in West Bridgewater
- 16 Robert W. Willard, Jr. & Suzanne L. Martin in Abington
- 17 Neal Alfred Tiberii & Karen Anne Kineman in Dartmouth

#### November

- 14 Richard P. Penney, Jr. & Donna Sweney in Bridgewater
- 14 Kevin Michael Colle & Cheryl Ann Wright in Quincy
- 28 Jeffrey W. Anderson & Amy Montania in West Bridgewater

#### December

- 12 David R. Kellie & Barbara L. Dias in West Bridgewater
- 24 Nicholas D. Palmieri & Kathleen L. Sergi in Bridgewater

## List of Jurors — West Bridgewater — 1981

Chester R. Anderson	Criminal/Civil
Henry E. Andrews, Jr.	Criminal/Civil
Susanne C. Anderson	Criminal/Civil
Malina J. Balboni	Grand Juror
Natalie Beaulieu	Criminal/Civil
Charlotte M. Berger	Criminal/Civil
Brenda A. Bissonnette	Grand Juror
C. Marshal Broman	Grand Juror
Donald Burgess	Criminal/Civil
Edith M. Colby	Criminal/Civil
John A. Companeschi, Jr.	Criminal/Civil
Albert B. Cook	Criminal/Civil
Henry Dandelin	Criminal/Civil
Ralph Douglas	Criminal/Civil
John E. Fleck	Criminal/Civil
Elsie M. Finch	Criminal/Civil
John F. Gallagher	Criminal/Civil
Dennis L. Geradi	Criminal/Civil
Muriel B. Goucher	Criminal/Civil
Barbara I. Heath	Criminal/Civil
Christopher E. Hutchins	Criminal/Civil
Richard E. Krugger, Jr.	Criminal/Civil
Robert Kwash	Criminal/Civil
Paul R. Lanoue	Criminal/Civil
Margaret J. Loycano	Criminal/Civil
William E. Lucini	Criminal/Civil
Diane M. Meal	Criminal/Civil
Katherine E. Moneghan	Criminal/Civil
Marie L. Moroni	Criminal/Civil
Linda J. Nichols	Criminal/Civil
Robert S. O'Connor	Criminal/Civil
Mary E. O'Donnell	Criminal/Civil
Catherine M. Ohlson	Criminal/Civil
Matthew J. Owens, Jr.	Criminal/Civil
Robert J. Powell	Criminal/Civil
Ralph W. Pratt, Jr.	Criminal/Civil
Elsie E. Vella	Criminal/Civil
Gertrude Wentzell	Criminal/Civil
Grace R. Zdziarski	Criminal/Civil

## Miscellaneous Receipts — 1981

Appeals	\$ 440.00
By-Laws	90.00
Building Permits	4,917.00
Maps	58.00
Photocopies	198.88
Street Lists	132.00
Raffle & Bazaar Permits	110.00
Gas Renewals	412.50
Uniform Commercial Codes	769.00
Certified Copies: Births, Deaths, and Marriages	525.00
Marriage Certificates	328.00
Business Certificates	67.00
Dump Stickers & Special Permits	1,637.00
Dog License Fees	889.15
Fish & Game Fees	126.15
Sub-Division Laws	2.00
Sewerage Permits	950.00
Pole Petitions	173.50
Electrical Permits	1,107.50
Plumbing Permits	592.00
Gas Permits	929.00
Sign Permits	463.20
Miscellaneous:	
Peddling Licenses	160.00
Voting Lists	16.00
Inspection Certificates	645.00
Identification Cards	28.00
Paid to Treasurer	\$15,765.88

A True Copy,  
Attest: Anna E. Brown,  
*Town Clerk*



## Fish and Game Licenses Issued in 1981

Res. Citizen Fishing Lic.	172	@	11.25	\$1,935.00
Res. Citizen Hunting Lic.	85	@	11.25	956.25
Res. Citizen Sporting Lic.	138	@	16.50	2,277.00
Res. Citizen Minor Fishing Lic.	6	@	6.25	37.50
Res. Citizen Trapping Lic.	7	@	14.50	101.50
Res. Citizen Fishing 65-69	9	@	5.75	51.75
Res. Citizen Sport 65-69	8	@	8.25	66.00
Res. Alien Fishing	2	@	17.25	34.50
Res. Citizen Minor Trap Lic.	3	@	6.25	18.75
Non-Res. 7 Day Lic.	2	@	11.25	22.50
Non-Res. Citizen Hunting	1	@	38.25	38.25
Waterfowl Stamps	63	@	1.25	78.75
Res. Citizen Hunting 65-69	1	@	5.75	<u>5.75</u>
	497			5,632.50
Less Clerk's Fees, Paid to Treasurer	497	@	.25	<u>124.25</u>
				5,499.25
Archery Stamps	19	@	5.10	<u>98.99</u>
				5,598.24
Less Clerk's Fees, Paid to Treasurer	19	@	.10	<u>1.90</u>
				5,596.34
Duplicates	5	@	2.00	<u>10.00</u>
Number Issued and Amount				
Paid to Div. Fisheries & Wildlife	521			5,606.34
Res. Citizen Sporting Lic. (over 70)	53		Free Lic.	

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Town Clerk

## Dog Licenses Issued Jan. 1, 1981 — June 30, 1981

Male	323	@	3.00	\$ 969.00
Female	37	@	6.00	222.00
Spayed Female	252	@	3.00	756.00
Kennel	14	@	10.00	140.00
Kennel	2	@	50.00	100.00
Kennel	1	@	25.00	<u>25.00</u>
Paid to Treasurer	629			2,212.00
Kennel 50.00 Free				

## Dog Licenses Issued July 1, 1981 — Dec. 30, 1981

Male	185	@	4.00	\$ 740.00
Female	51	@	7.00	357.00
Spayed Female	144	@	4.00	576.00
Kennel	4	@	10.00	40.00
Kennel	3	@	25.00	<u>50.00</u>
Paid to Treasurer	387			1,763.00

A True Copy,  
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*Town Clerk*

# Board of Selectmen

The Board of Selectmen hereby submits its annual report for 1981.

Eight parcels of town-owned land were auctioned by the Board realizing \$34,410.00 from sales and returning these lots to the tax rolls.

An audit required under the provisions of the Federal Revenue Sharing Law was performed by Anthony V. Sulmonte, C.P.A. The results of Mr. Sulmonte's audit are printed in this Annual Report.

The Town was chosen by the Executive Office of Energy Resources to represent the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in the International Energy Days Competition held October 14-17, 1981. We would like to thank the members of the Energy Committee for their efforts.

The Board accepted the resignation of Edwin T. Gibson as Fire Chief. We recognize Chief Gibson's dedication and service to the Town and we wish him well in his retirement. Charles Dyke was appointed Fire Chief effective August 1, 1981. We welcome Charlie and look forward to working with him during these challenging times.

The Board also accepted the resignation of Wallace Engstrom, Gas and Plumbing Inspector. Joseph Donovan has been chosen to fill this vacancy.

1981 fiscal changes: The County Advisory Board, of which the Chairman is a member, is the final appropriating authority for the County Budget. Previously that authority rested with the Legislature.

The Town is now responsible for collecting parking fines which had been collected by the Brockton District Court. Charles H. Johnson has been designated as Parking Clerk.

The Town Meeting approved a revaluation program as presented by the Assessors. State law requires that all cities and towns be at "full and fair" cash value by January, 1983.

An evaluation of the Town's insurance needs and coverage was made. Rising insurance costs are of continuing concern. Eldon F. Moreira has been appointed Insurance Administrator.

The Board continues its efforts to conserve energy in Town-owned buildings by implementing cost-effective renovations. We want to thank the Building Inspector John Pires for his able assistance.

The School Committee voted to turn over to the Selectmen the Sunset Avenue School. The Chairman appointed an Ad Hoc Committee to consider the disposition of this building. After extensive study and advertising, it was the Committee's recommendation that the building be demolished and that the lot be subdivided and sold.

Much time and effort has been expended by the Board acting as Licensing Authority and as Zoning Enforcement Authority for the Town. In addition many meetings were held with regards to labor negotiations and related matters.

All of this activity pales when compared with the time and effort expended by this Board, the Finance Committee, the School Committee and the School Superintendent and Department Heads in budget preparations necessary to conform to the tax limitation requirements of "Proposition 2½." Our goal throughout the

planning process was to minimize the impact of budget reductions on our citizens and employees by examining priorities and redefining the role of local government. This is a continuing process. We want to take this opportunity to express our gratitude to all elected and appointed officials for their cooperation and dedication during this difficult time.

Tax limitation is a principle we advocate not only for local government, but for state and federal governments as well. However, our focus is on local government. What services are provided and how those services are provided must be constantly evaluated. We must take a rational approach and if economic necessity dictates we must be willing to change.

This is the challenge for 1982.

In our judgment specific areas to be addressed include consolidation of Town services, additional computerization of financial transactions and establishment of a management position under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

On behalf of the Town, the Board of Selectmen would like to extend thanks to all the individuals and groups who gave of themselves for West Bridgewater.

*Board of Selectmen,*  
Doris Haight, *Chairman*  
Charles H. Johnson, *Clerk*  
Eldon F. Moreira, *Associate*



# Board of Health

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen and the citizens of West Bridgewater:

We herewith submit the Annual Report of the Board of Health for the year 1981.

Board members along with Health Agent, Nancy Oliveira, investigated all complaints pertaining to public health, inspected all sewerage system installations both new or repairs and did routine inspections of food service establishments, schools, and other public facilities.

The annual Rabies Clinic was held with over 125 dogs in attendance.

The Board of Health provided Health Clinics, at the Town Hall bi-monthly, and clinics for the elderly at Ester Drive by appointment.

We wish to thank Irving G. Sylvester and the highway department for their cooperation in the area of the Transfer Station.

The Board worked closely with John Pires, Building Inspector, and the members of the Conservation Commission on many problems involving building permits on land abutting wetlands.

The Board would like to extend its thanks to Anna Brown, Town Clerk, and Leo Moroni, Animal Inspector, Police and Forestry Departments, and the Board of Selectmen for their assistance to the Board and its agent.

This year the Board received the resignation of James Purpura, with regret, Mr. Purpura gave many years of dedicated service to the Town of West Bridgewater and the Board of Health.

Respectfully submitted,  
Edward F. Cruz, *Chairman*  
Judith A. Kinney, *Clerk*  
Ronald B. Broman, *Member*

# Board of Assessors

## TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR 12 MONTH FISCAL YEAR SINCE 1980-1981 TAX RATE WAS FIXED

	\$ 4,844,408.00
Local Expenditures	214,751.20
State Assessments	67,612.43
County Assessments	83,952.99
Overlay	<u>60,125.53</u>

GROSS AMOUNT TO BE RAISED \$5,270,850.15

Total Estimated Receipts from State	\$ 1,338,784.00
Prior Year Overestimates — State and County	3,542.84
Local Estimated Receipts	567,592.00
Free Cash	91,753.00
Other Available Funds	5,036.13
Revenue Sharing	<u>182,685.00</u>

TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS \$2,189,392.97

NET AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION ON PROPERTY \$3,081,457.18

Value of Assessed Real Estate — Land	\$35,856,825.00
Buildings	<u>52,986,910.00</u>
	88,843,735.00

Personal Property 2,866,300.00

Total \$91,710,035.00

TAX RATE PER THOUSAND \$33.60

School	52.68% or \$17.70
General	<u>47.32% or \$15.90</u>
	100.00% \$33.60

## EXEMPT PROPERTY

Old Bridgewater Historical Society	\$ 78,690.00
Church Societies	1,391,600.00
Berwick Boys' Foundation	59,800.00
H. Meredith Berry Trust	42,679.00
Town Hall Offices and Forestry Garage	209,300.00
Highway Garage and Lot	245,000.00
Fire and Police Station	234,000.00

Water Department	\$ 1,111,005.00
Park Department	35,414.00
Cemeteries, Town Owned	10,800.00
Cemeteries, Privately Owned	208,555.00
Transfer Station	91,335.00
Conservation Commission 261.36 acres	127,605.00
All other Town Owned Land 111.00 acres	9,850.00
School Department and Library	8,755,535.00
West Bridgewater Housing Authority	696,150.00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts 1,265.78 acres	871,110.00
BAARC	51,600.00
Cambridge Animal Aid, Inc. (Partly Exempt)	34,000.00
Samoset Rod and Gun Club, Inc.	19,700.00
Wheelchair Motorcycle Association, Inc.	79,800.00
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Total Exempt Property	\$14,363,528.00

The following abatements and exemptions were made for Fiscal Year 1982:

Clause	Number	Amount
17 (Widow)	5	\$ 875.00
18 (Financial Hardship)	5	1,996.84
22 (Veterans)	66	11,550.00
22A (Veterans)	4	1,400.00
22E (Veterans)	1	525.00
41 (Elderly)	55	27,500.00
37 (Blind)	4	1,750.00
41A (Deferred Tax)	1	478.80
Overvaluation	20	8,357.70
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Total	161	\$54,433.34

#### Chapter 61A (Agricultural and Horticultural Act — Farm)

Assessed Value under Chapter 61A  
of 139 Parcels (1,956.52 acres)

Actual Assessed Value	\$1,420,000.00
Total Loss in Assessed Value	\$3,619,050.00
Total Loss in Tax Money	\$ 73,888.06

At the annual town meeting held in June of 1981, the townspeople approved Article 14 which authorized the Board of Assessors to enter into a contract for a complete revaluation program for the Town of West Bridgewater which would satisfy certification and classification requirements of Chapter 797 of the Acts of

1979 as set down by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Revenue. The article called for an expenditure of \$67,500. for the revaluation plus \$500.00 for engineering (maps) expense. The Board of Assessors wish to express our thanks to the townspeople for approving this article.

Appraisal Consultants of New England, Inc. located in Raynham, Massachusetts was awarded the contract after the Board had carefully screened all companies who had submitted figures to perform the work.

Appraisal Consultants started working on the revaluation program in September of 1981 and have set a tentative completion date for September 1982. The Board of Assessors have held several meetings with their representatives and the progress reports reviewed would indicate that the program is going along on schedule. Townspeople have been kept advised as to areas being worked, through articles appearing in the newspaper.

The Board of Assessors are confident that once the revaluation program has been completed and the figures have been certified by the Department of Revenue, all owners of Real Estate will be paying no more than their fair share.

Due to the economy and the high cost of borrowing money, there has been very little new construction during the past year. The total increase in valuation of all Real & Personal Property over the previous year amounted to only \$1,034,000. We are hoping that the trend will change and there will be more growth in the next year, especially in Commercial and Industrial areas.

We would like to express our appreciation to our Assistant Assessor, Mrs. Bowman, for her efforts and to all others who assisted us during the year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gary A. Boyd, *Chairman*  
DeSales J. Heath, *Clerk*  
Sherwood W. Jackson



## Veterans' Services

To the Board of Selectmen:

Sixty two veterans were assisted by Veterans Services this year. Twenty four received financial and medical assistance and thirty eight were aided with various services such as V.A. Questionnaires, V.A. Pensions, V.A. Compensation and requests for copies of discharge forms.

Two V.A. Pensions were filed, one housebound benefit and three widows pensions. Of these applications filed with the Veterans Administration only one widows pension and one housebound was approved for benefits. The new law for pensions that went into effect in 1979 has stricter income limits therefore many veterans and widows of veterans are not eligible for benefits as they were under the old law.

Refunds to the town amounted to \$484.64 and these were received from Blue Cross Blue Shield and reimbursement from assignment cases.

A Computer Match was made quarterly in conjunction with the Department of Public Welfare, Division of Employment Security and Registry of Motor Vehicles. This computer matching is done four times a year to prevent duplication of payments by various agencies of the Commonwealth.

Due to economic conditions of these times there were many more inquiries for assistance in both Veterans Services and for Veterans Pensions.

Respectfully submitted,  
Armen Amerigian  
*Veterans Agent*

# **Fire Department**

To the Honorable Board of Selectpersons:

I herewith submit my annual report as Chief of the Fire Department of the Town of West Bridgewater for the year 1981.

## **Personnel**

The personnel of the Fire Department consists of one (1) permanent Chief, one (1) permanent Deputy Chief, five (5) permanent firefighters, two (2) call Captains, one (1) call Lieutenant, and twenty three (23) call firefighters. All of the six (6) permanent firefighters are certified as Emergency Medical Technicians. There are also six (6) call people who are certified EMT's.

## **Apparatus**

Engine No. 1, 1978 Hendrickson/Farrar 1250 GPM pumper; Engine No. 2, 1959 Seagrave/Chevrolet 750 GPM pumper; Combination No. 1, 1968 Pierre-Thibault W-500 Dodge (4 wheel drive) 500 GPM auxiliary pump; Combination No. 2, 1945 Chevrolet 500 GPM (front mounted) pump; Squad No. 1, 1967 Ford (4 wheel drive), Ladder No. 1, 1950 American LaFrance 75 ft. aerial ladder; Rescue No. 1, 1962 Ford Van truck; Ambulance No. 1, 1976 Horton/Chevrolet; Chief's car, 1979 Pontiac Wagon.

## **Requests and Recommendations**

As previously mentioned in my report, we are operating two (2) shifts with one man on duty. All emergency calls, whether Fire or Ambulance, during these duty tours, the one man responds alone. Prior to leaving the station he transmits a "tone" over the Fire Department radio network which alerts off duty and call personnel to respond to his aid.

Weather conditions, and the availability to a radio of the forementioned personnel, determines the time interval before assistance arrives. This can be disastrous if CPR ("Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation") is being performed or a multiple number of injured victims need medical attention.

Under the "Back Up Ambulance" agreement with the surrounding Communities we receive immediate response with two (2) EMT's to our call for assistance. Under our present manpower situation we can not provide the same service to those communities.

I believe, that to provide efficient, immediate response to the Townspeople in any emergency situation, a minimum of two (2) men should be on duty at all times.

I would like to pick up the training sessions to at least one (1) drill per month for ten months of the year. These drills constantly refresh the personnel with the equipment and update them on new methods and ideas.

Maintenance and repairs, both major and minor, to the equipment and the station has been done by the personnel of the department. Much of this was done on their own time and without compensation, indicating their interest to better serve

the Townspeople.

Repairs of a priority nature at this time are a leaking booster tank on Engine No. 2, the exhaust system on the Ambulance, and the exhaust system on Rescue No. 1. However, the repair budget will not support these expenditures at this time.

Since my appointment on August 1, 1981 there have been two (2) serious structure fires, one (1) in August and one (1) in October. The performance of the members of the West Bridgewater Fire Department indicates to me the competency of the personnel. Both of these structures were fully involved in fire upon our arrival and were quickly and efficiently brought under control and extinguished. I commend the personnel of this department and the Mutual Aid towns that worked at these fires.

In closing, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Board of Selectmen for their consideration in selecting me to serve the Town as Fire Chief, all the personnel of the Fire Department for their support, assistance, and cooperation for a smooth transition within the department, and to all the individuals that comprise the Boards, Departments, Committees, Merchants and Townspeople for their cooperation and assistance. I hope that I may serve you for many years to come.

Respectfully submitted,  
Charles A. Dyke  
Chief

## Industrial Development Commission

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The year 1981 was not, industrially speaking a great year, nevertheless, slow but steady progress was made as can be seen in a tour of the town.

Permits issued for new industrial buildings, additions, and alterations totaled \$500,000.

Permits issued for new commercial buildings, additions, and alterations totaled \$217,710.

The combined total of both categories amounts to \$716,720. which is \$290,420. more than in 1980.

This is good and steady progress despite the slow economic vitality and high interest rates.

	Respectfully submitted,
Robert Bowman	Leon Beaulieu
Henry Bradford	Ronald Brodrick
C. Robert Bystrom	Frank Miller
Charles Higgins	George Hollertz
Donald MacIver	

*Industrial Development Commission*

# Police Department

I herewith submit the Annual Report of the West Bridgewater Police Department for the year 1981.

Complaints	2,640
Investigations	3,720
Breaking and Entering	85
Larceny (Including Larceny by Check)	184
Arrests (Total)	468
Male Adult	391
Female Adult	34
Male Juvenile	35
Female Juvenile	8

The following is a list of some of the charges for which the above arrests were made.

Assault and Battery	29
Robberies	4
Breaking and Entering (Residential)	61
Breaking and Entering (Commercial)	24
Larceny More	100
Larceny Less	84

All other arrests were for motor vehicle charges or misdemeanors.

## MISCELLANEOUS

Accidents (Total)	411
Killed	3
Injured	111
Property Damage	290
Hit and Run	19
Buildings Found Open	68
Assist Ambulance	299
Transported to Doctor by Police Department	1
Transported to State Hospital by Police Department	4
Transported to Hospital by Police Department	17
Assists (Total)	144
Other Towns (Accidents)	32
Other Towns (Investigations)	112
Officers Assaulted	11
Fires Covered	52
Alarms Answered	607
House Checks	150
Breaking and Entering (Total)	85



Residences	61	
Commercial	24	
Larceny more than \$100		100
Larceny less than \$100		84
Vehicles Stolen		32
Vehicles Recovered		44
Missing Persons		8
Unexpected Deaths Investigated		5
Robberies		4
Persons in Protective Custody		107
Bomb Scare		1
Juveniles Handled Out of Court		108
Value of Property Stolen	\$261,863	
Value of Property Recovered	\$103,406	

### TRAFFIC

Accidents	411
Fatals	3
Property Damage	290
Accidents with Injuries	111
Hit and Run Accidents	19
Auto Violations to Court	1,089
Warnings to the Registry of	
Motor Vehicles	652
Arrests for Traffic Violations	147

### 1981 Monies Returned to the Town of West Bridgewater

Pistol Permits Issued	\$ 490.00
Licenses to Sell Firearms and	
Ammunition	33.00
Firearms Identification Cards	122.00
Insurance Fees Received for Copies	
of Reports	1,747.00
Parking Fines Returned from	
Brockton District Court	679.00
Fines Returned from Brockton	
District Court	64,031.38
Total	\$67,102.38

The Police Department is coping with the effects of Proposition 2 1/2 by operating short-handed from time to time. That operation presents certain problems, as we do rely on mutual aid from East Bridgewater and Bridgewater to deal with problems that arise in this Town. We are not able to offer the same assistance to our neighbors, who are also feeling the crunch of Proposition 2 1/2. A further reduction of Police Department personnel would make this situation intolerable. We owe a debt of thanks to our neighbors.

We have not been able to keep up with in-service training, due to the demands of Proposition 2 1/2. In-service training is necessary to upgrade the skills of our professional police officers.

I strongly recommend that the Town consider dispatchers for the Police and Fire Departments at the station, which would free trained officers to deal with law enforcement issues. It is not necessary to have professionally trained personnel answer the telephone and perform other clerical type functions.

I further recommend that the Town consider the purchase of two cruisers this year, as the cost of repairs to existing equipment is increasing dramatically.

I also recommend the purchase of an in-house video system to enable the desk officer to watch the prisoners in the cell area. There have been attempted suicides among the prisoners and we have experienced a high rate of vandalism in the cell area. The cost to the community in the event of harm to a prisoner, even if self-inflicted, would be astronomical.

In the year just ended, the Police Department returned \$67,102. to the Town from fines and other miscellaneous charges, a gain of \$13,000. over the previous year. Greater gains could be shown if some portion of those funds could be returned to the Department for selective law enforcement.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to the Board of Selectmen for their cooperation, support and understanding. Thanks also to other Town Departments for their assistance and cooperation throughout the year. I would also like to extend my gratitude to the officers of the Police Department for their cooperation and support throughout the past year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ervin G. Lothrop  
*Chief of Police*

# Council on Aging

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Council on Aging is working for the benefit of over eleven hundred (1,100) senior citizens age 60 and over in our community. This is no easy task. As a Council on Aging, we are mandated to provide services and access to services for all our elderly citizens. As in any community, we have found a portion of our seniors to be visibly active in the life of our community; many are still actively employed; others are enjoying a full and vital life in retirement. However, we are finding a significant number of seniors who are not doing so well; some living on poverty level incomes; some who are going cold *and* hungry because they were not aware that help existed, who to ask, how to get it. We have found seniors, who, if not for caring neighbors would wind up victims of malnutrition or worse; seniors who must choose between being warm or going hungry — in some cases both. We have found disabled who were not getting the assistance due them because of their handicap. For every vital, healthy senior, we give thanks; we are mightily thankful when we find a senior who especially needs our services and assistance. These are some of the people we help. We are making good progress in helping to promote awareness of the COA Program and its ability to help all senior citizens in the town.

The Council on Aging has had the responsibility again this year of assisting in the application process for fuel assistance for Self Help, Inc. Eleanor Lindsay, Sam Feinberg, Susan Puffer and your COA Chairman volunteered their time to assist in this endeavor. Again as in past years, families eligible for fuel assistance other than senior citizens were also helped.

Our monthly newsletter, "The Capen Caller" continues to grow as we learn more about the process of newsletter preparation and development of new sources of material of particular interest to senior citizens. The "Caller" is mailed monthly to over 900 senior citizens. We are extremely proud of this effort and the fact that we can share so much information with the senior community. Marjorie MacDonald, and guests who have contributed to the "Caller" such as Ray Chace, Susan Puffer, Virginia Michael, David Cohen, agencies dealing with elder services, etc. are to be thanked for their faithful participation. Marge's column, "Know Your Town" has proved to be a very popular item with those receiving the newsletter.

A word about our volunteers! Perhaps, the most important words in this report are about our volunteers. Without them, we have nothing, it is as simple as that. Some of the caring individuals who volunteer are: Jean Geary, Ray Chace, George McGuire, John Rosnell, Mary and Thomas McGuire, Eleanor and George Lindsay, Ellen Benson, Susan Puffer, Sam Feinberg, Alphee Surette, Kenneth Hollis, Virginia Chase, Virginia Michael, Kathleen Fenstermaker, Judith Kinney, John Large, Helen Nelson, Gordon Ross, Robert Alger, Crosby Alger, Alexander Cheromcka, Evelyn Jollymore, Mary Lou Jeness, Joseph McMorro, David Cohen and many others who contribute limited time to the COA. These fine folks have given hundreds of hours of volunteer time to the senior citizens of our community. Some are in fact senior citizens themselves. If we could give prizes for their unselfish dedication, they would all get "First Prize". Thank you all!

A major decision by the Council on Aging to seek quarters for a Senior Multi



Purpose Center was made last Fall. After some groundwork being completed, an agreement was entered into with the School Department to use the "cafeteria module" of the Spring Street School. This is an exciting venture for the COA. With the uncertainty of funding from state and federal sources for elderly programs, we will no doubt be challenged to utilize creative and innovative methods to support the center. With the considerable assistance of Friends of J.O.Y. (Just Older Youth) as a fundraising support system, we have every confidence that we will succeed.

With the formation of J.O.Y., a private, non-profit organization, established as a support system to work with the COA, the ability to combine the forces of the COA budget and the funds raised by J.O.Y. will ensure the continuation and success of the senior center. A special thank you to Sam Feinberg for holding onto the dream of a senior center for West Bridgewater. Without his encouragement and advice, we would likely have lost the momentum to continue with our plans. Membership in J.O.Y. is not limited to just senior citizens. People of all ages are encouraged to join and help in promoting intergenerational awareness and action. Age is only a state of mind as well as of body. We need helpers from all backgrounds and interests. We are very fortunate to have as our Executive officers of J.O.Y., Mrs. Judith Kinney, President; Mrs. Mary Lou Jeness, Vice-President; Mrs. Mary McGuire, Secretary; and Mrs. Ethel Fisher, Treasurer.

With such vital and caring and action-oriented people as these as a part of J.O.Y., Just Older Youth will succeed mightily. Please join us!

After a formal Open House on Valentine's Day, February 14, 1982, the scheduling of program and special events will begin in earnest. The twice weekly luncheon presently at the Rose L. MacDonald School will be transferred to the center. Craft classes, art classes, line dancing, special films, health clinics and programs, exercise programs, aerobic dancing, special group meetings and much more are planned to be held on a regularly scheduled basis. The center is open to all for use as a community service. First preference for scheduling, of course, will always reside with the senior citizens of the community. We invite you to visit the center any time.

And finally, a special note of thanks to all the members of the Council who have contributed to the success of our programming. Without the commitment of a strong COA, our center would not be a reality today. To all who have participated in any way to the reality of our center, a genuine thank you!

Virginia Michael, *Treasurer*  
Susan Puffer, *Vice-Chairman*  
Kathleen Fenstermaker, *Secretary*  
Lloyd A. Sears  
Clifford Carlson  
Marjorie MacDonald

Respectfully,  
Beth Burgess, *Chairman*  
Sam Feinberg  
Elmer Walker  
Winnifred Manzer  
David Choen  
Kenneth Hollis  
Phoebe Burnham,  
*Associate Member*



# Housing Authority

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

We hereby submit the annual report of the West Bridgewater Housing Authority.

The West Bridgewater Housing Authority again, this year, applied for funding for additional housing for elderly and was once again refused. The West Bridgewater Housing Authority also applied for funds to purchase and renovate the Sunset Avenue School for housing and were told that there were no funds available at this time. When asked if they would approve the Housing Board purchasing it at a later date when funds would be available, Mrs. Holmgren was told that there would be no funding available to maintain the property until such time.

The year has brought few changes at D'Arpino Village. Most residents are interested and active members of the community and are giving of their time and efforts to the senior citizen's club and the new group "Friends of J.O.Y." and the new senior citizen's center.

The West Bridgewater Housing Board meets once a month under the guidance of Albert Greiner, chairman to discuss any problems which may arise and to conduct the general business of the Authority. Also to tend to any needs of the tenants which may arise.

The Bridgewater Visiting Nurse Association conducts a blood pressure clinic on the fourth Thursday of each month in the hall of the Community Building. This service is available to all senior citizens of the town.

We are still appreciative of the many services rendered to Esther Drive by the police, fire and highway departments and hereby express our sincere thanks. Our thanks too, to the West Bridgewater Public Library for loan of books for the book-rack in the Community Hall, which was donated to us from David Cohen.

The Housing Board will keep trying to obtain additional funding for more housing as it becomes available. We have a waiting list of approximately one hundred applicants, of which eighteen of them are West Bridgewater residents. These residents have preference over non-residents.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dorothy A. Holmgren, *Secretary*  
Albert M. Greiner, *Chairman*  
Richard C. Williams, *Vice Ch.*  
Carl R. Bystrom, *Treasurer*  
Robert L. Kellie, *Asst. Treas.*  
Armen A. Amerigian, *State member*

## **Recreation Department**

The Committee and Staff Members of the 1981 Summer Recreation Program would like to report that the 1981 Summer Program was a rewarding experience for all involved.

Under the direction of Carl Ohlson and assistants Robert Dwyer and Pat Kelley, the young children of West Bridgewater were offered a diversified program.

Arts & Crafts, field trips (6), cartoons, team games, and low organization were all enjoyed during this year's six week program. An event that was popular was the field trip to Riverdale Skating Rink.

The Committee is grateful to the directors and their aides, Evelyn Jollymore, Doreen Langer, and Tony Vallon for a fine summer.

The Recreation Department would like to thank the townspeople for their support of the Summer Program, and to especially thank the West Bridgewater School Department and the West Bridgewater Police Department for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Lou Jenness  
Carmella Preston  
Ethel Fisher  
Joseph Vallon

## **West Bridgewater Arts Council**

The West Bridgewater Arts Council has been inactive for the greater part of the past year primarily due to the fact that funding for Local Arts Councils was terminated when the Arts Lottery was abolished. However, there are hopes that alternative funding will be devised and the members of the Arts Council will continue with plans for a Local Art Show, our first project.

Respectfully submitted,  
Roland Nadeau, *Chairman*  
Joseph Linehan  
Lorraine Piver  
Patrick Bell  
Ted Nystrom  
Ruth D'Ambrosio  
West Bridgewater Arts Council

# Trustees for Plymouth County Cooperative Extension Service

By Edgar W. Spear, Director

The Plymouth County Cooperative Extension Service's Office is located on High St., Hanson, and can be reached by calling 293-3541, 447-5946 or 746-0053.

## STAFF:

Our staff is comprised of a Director, two Regional Agricultural Specialists, a Community Resource Development Specialist, two Home Economists, four 4-H Agents and four clerical staff.

In addition to our County Staff, we administer a Nutritional Educational Program for limited-income families in Plymouth County, (Expanded Food & Nutrition Educational Program). We have two professional nutritionists and ten aides. This office is located at 32 Belmont St., Brockton, and is funded by Federal Nutrition Funds, through the University of Massachusetts, our Land-Grant College. This is for both the 4-H and Adult Program.

Our Expanded Food and Nutrition Program (EFNEP) has expanded from Brockton to all of Plymouth County's twenty-six towns.

In 1980-1981, there were 4,722 youth involved in our 4-H EFNEP Nutrition Program. You can obtain information about current programs, as well as up-to-date consumer information, by requesting the free monthly newsletter, *Kitchen Quotes*. This newsletter can be sent to you by calling the Brockton Office at 583-2545 or 583-2598. This newsletter is also prepared in Spanish.

In our traditional 4-H Program, we have 1,313 members with 22,041 older youth participating in our short-term and school programs. The 1977 population of Plymouth County schools was 96,287. This means 2,412 of the Plymouth County youth have been involved in our programs this year.

In your town, West Bridgewater, there were 42 youth that participated in these programs.

Contact your Town Director, Mr. Clifford Carlson, for the County Cooperative Extension Service with any suggestions or requests.

Free bulletins are on display at our office on lawn care, gardening, nutrition, home canning and freezing, to name just a few. If you pass our office, in your travels, please stop and get to know us. We continue to test soil, free of charge, for Plymouth County residents. Our Home Economist will also check your pressure cooker gauge.

Our Board of Trustee members are:

George Fraser, *Chairman – Kingston*  
Maurice Donnelly, *Vice-Chairman – Duxbury*  
Eileen Rawson, *Secretary – Duxbury*  
Gerard F. Burke, *County Commissioners – Brockton*  
E. Dana Cashin – *Norwell*  
Jean Gibbs – *Carver*  
Joseph Webby – *Brockton*  
Lester Wyman, Jr. – *Hanson*  
Saul Wyman – *Bridgewater*



# **Brockton Area Multi Services, Inc.**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

During 1981, the Bridgewaters Counseling Center, formerly the Bridgewaters Multi-Service Center, has increased the number of clients serviced while operating with a significant decrease in funding and staff. The staff presently consists of two full time clinical social workers, one full time staff psychologist, one half time clinical social worker, one half time clinical psychologist, a half time director also functioning as a half time clinical social worker, a part time psychiatrist and one and a half clerical staff.

Services have been expanded to the elderly, children and families, while still providing individual, couples, and group therapy. Therapy groups have included Career and Life Planning, Stress Management and Assertiveness Training. Extensive seminars on Alcoholism and Drug Addiction have been provided for community members as well as in the school systems. The Center also helps staff the new Head Start Facility by providing a part time children's clinical social worker.

In 1980-1981, the Bridgewaters Counseling Center had 4,303 client contracts, with 712 of them from West Bridgewater — an increase of 115 from last year. At the present time there are 213 active clients, 4 (ages 0-21), 29 (ages 21-60), and 6 (ages 60 +), comprising a total of 39 clients from West Bridgewater.

Respectfully submitted,  
Anne M. Yusko, ACSW  
*Program Director*

## **The Trustees of the Public Library**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

This year it was necessary to make reductions in the library staff. This had an effect on the number of hours the library could be open. The following schedule is now in effect, allowing twenty-eight hours each week for public use.

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday — 12 noon to 5 p.m.

Thursday — 12 noon to 8 p.m.

The decision was made to eliminate the position of Children's Library Assistant. The Trustees want to express their thanks to Donna Burke, a member of the Friends of the Library, who volunteered to supervise the story hour program. Without her assistance this very successful program would have been discontinued.

The Friends of the Library organization is now an active part of the library, their help is appreciated and needed. New members and all interested townspeople are invited to attend the meetings held in the library on the second Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

The library is a part of the high school heating system, therefore it was necessary to close the library during the school Thanksgiving and Christmas vacation days. Wayne Legge has made an extensive study into the energy needs of the library, his report has been given to the Selectmen and the Superintendent of Schools.



The part-time clerk position is now held by Nancy Bell and Cynthia Rounds is the page (CETA).

The Trustees accepted with gratitude the bound volumes of St. Nicholas Children's Magazine. This generous gift was given to the library by Dorothy Williams.

We express our appreciation to the library staff and to you, the townspeople, for your continued support.

*Board Members:*

Carrollee Ferris, *Chairman*

Patricia Cronin

Joan Sheedy

R. Wayne Legge

Helen Millet

Barbara Perkins

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara Perkins, *Secretary*

## Report of Librarian

To the Trustees of the Public Library:

**Statistics:**

Circulation	42,390	
New Cards Issued	335	
Total Card Holders	3,624	
Collection	32,218	Books
	658	Records
	59	Magazine Subscriptions

This has not been a year of growth for Library Services. The Library schedule was cut to 28 hours per week. One full-time and one-half time staff positions were eliminated. The number of magazine subscriptions received was reduced by 48% and we purchased 129 fewer books than last year. Pre-school Story Hours and the Summer Reading Program no longer exist.

I wish to thank the P.T.O. for their gift of a free pass to the Museum of Science. It was appreciated by the many families in town who made use of it.

Special thanks to Kathleen Fenstermaker for her ten years of service to the Library and for her devotion to the development of the Children's Department, and to Rita Giovanoni for her six years of diligent and courteous performance of her duties as Library Assistant. Both are missed by Staff and patrons who wish them the best.

Thanks, also, to those who offer their continued encouragement and support during these difficult times.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jane Ouderkirk, M.L.S.

*Library Staff:*

Marilyn Raleigh

Nancy Bell

Charles Keeler

## Highway Department

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby submit my report for the year 1981.

The past year the Highway Department completed the reconstruction of Scotland Street for a distance of (2,600) two thousand six hundred feet and a width of (22) twenty-two feet. This was done by ripping up the old surface and pulverizing the old asphalt which was used for base material instead of gravel. After the material was pulverized, it was graded to form the base of the present roadway and compacted. Then we placed a two-inch layer of Type I-1 base material and a one and one-half inch layer of Type I-1 top material, which completed the 2,600 foot section of roadway.

The remainder of the year was spent on our regular maintenance work such as repairing pot holes, replacing and repairing street signs and warning signs as needed. We continued with street sweeping, cleaning sand from intersections and roadsides, throughout the town. We spent a considerable amount of time picking up rubbish along the roadsides and mowing the same. This included picking up dead animals, repairing, painting guard rails and bridges throughout the town. We have also cleaned and dug out all the catch basins, man-holes and culverts throughout the town. We utilized the line marker for striping the traffic lines on the roads throughout the town. We have also continued with our winter program of sanding and plowing all the town roads and keeping them clear of ice and snow.

I would like at this time to thank the Board of Selectmen, Police and Fire Department, Water and Tree Departments for their cooperation and the efforts of the men on the Highway Department.

Respectfully submitted,  
Irving G. Sylvester,  
*Highway Superintendent*

## Water Department

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

We, the Commissioners and Superintendent of the Water Department of the Town of West Bridgewater, respectfully submit our annual report for the year ending December 31, 1981.

During the year a total of 248,062,920 gallons of water were pumped, which is 476,181 gallons less than the previous year. The greatest amount for any one day was 1,208,000 gallons on July 17. The largest month was August with 25,400,650 gallons. The largest week was July 18 with 6,780,250 gallons.

With 248,062,920 gallons of water pumped, plus 958,740 gallons bought from Easton, a total of 249,021,660 gallons of water were used. This makes a daily average of 682,251, a weekly average of 4,788,878 gallons, and a monthly average of 20,751,805 gallons. Recorded rainfall was 41.4 inches at Station 1, Cyr St. and 69.3 inches at Station 3, Manley Street, which averages 55.35 inches.

A total of 17 new services were installed for a total of 2026 services. There were 6 services renewed, 94 calls for meter removal and installations, 13 meter repairs, 123 meters sealed and tagged, 342 miscellaneous calls, 75 repair calls, and 2 fire flow tests made.

We had 24 emergency house leaks, 19 emergency main leaks, 27 service line leaks, 23 meter and tail piece leaks, 1 frozen meter, 18 frozen services, 8 hydrants repaired (4 replaced). Most hydrants were checked prior to cold weather and this year due to shortage of labor, hydrant stakes were not installed. We would appreciate residents during snow storms, shovel out the hydrants nearest them so the Fire Department will be able to locate them in time of emergency. Station maintenance was carried out every day, after every severe storm, and all power failures. We had a total of 4 power failures, 11 telemeter failure problems, 4 alarm failures, 7 cases of vandalism (broken windows, fences, painting of graffiti on stations, tank, hanging a dummy from the top of the water tank).

There was 1 emergency call for pumping, 1 swimming pool filled and 1 call for filling tanks. Dead ends were flushed 19 times. A total of 431 hours were spent on emergency calls and maintenance.

During the year, 158 analysis of our Town drinking water was made by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Quality Engineering for bacterial elements and others. All reports were most satisfactory, showing it to be of highly acceptable quality, and free from bacterial elements. Analysis of sodium concentration in our water averaged 16.33 milligrams per litre for the year 1981, allowing us to meet the regulations pertaining to sodium testing.

A drop in consumption was noted after a request by the Water Commissioners to conserve water. We wish to thank the people for this effort, thus, preventing a water ban being issued. At this time, two well areas have recovered to above average levels. One is still down approximately three feet.

Due to eliminating two men or 50% of our work force, we have not been able to complete work that has been done in the past. Due to cuts in budgets, some of our projects have been cut back and our services have been limited. In the future, we will have to make further changes to compensate for rising costs and for declining budgets.

As we come to the close of another trying year of service, we wish to thank all our customers for conserving, and in expressing faith in us in helping to continue to improve the water system. We wish to thank our own personnel who have worked hard and cooperated to make it successful, and all other Town Departments who have helped with their full cooperation.

As we enter another year of service and the many problems we encounter as years go by, we sincerely hope we will be privileged to continue serving you to the best of our ability and continue to bring you a safe and potable water supply.

Respectfully submitted,  
John W. Noyes, *Chairman*  
Donald Davock, *Clerk*  
Edward G. Asack, *Ass. Member*  
William E. Nickerson, *Superintendent*



# Forestry and Parks Department

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Forestry and Parks Department activities for the year 1981 have generally gone along in the order of previous years. There has been an increasing workload on this department over the past few years due to an increase in town population and various co-operative activities. Now, due to the reduction of one man in our department because of Proposition 2 1/2, it has become necessary to eliminate some of our services and to charge residents for others.

Tree removal stands out as foremost in our operations, there having been 203 trees removed including Dutch Elm diseased trees. The majority of these removals were topped out by hiring equipment because of the proximity of utility wires or of being over private property and in some cases we were assisted with aid from the Edison and Telephone Companies.

All street trees received one foliar spray and in some cases two sprays during the growing season. Throughout the years the list of insect pests and tree diseases under the control of this department has grown by leaps and bounds. 1981 became another year of the caterpillar — the Gypsy moth caterpillars. Various areas of the town were heavily infested and received some extensive defoliation of the trees. With the extensive amount of egg masses of the Gypsy moth which appear on trees throughout the town, I anticipate another heavy defoliation in 1982. This department will conduct ground spraying for the control of the Gypsy moth along the roadsides again in 1982.

War Memorial Park, 13 town greens and 6 town-owned cemeteries were regularly fertilized, mowed and trimmed during the growing season. Many cedar rail fences at the park were replaced as needed with new rails. One bridge was also replaced.

Tree planting was carried out during spring and fall with a total of 140 trees being planted. Emerald Queen maples, Littleleaf Linden, Flowering Crabapples and Crimson King maples were the species planted.

Due to the Poison Ivy eradication program, this nuisance has been eliminated completely along the roadsides of West Bridgewater. However, if a homeowner has Poison Ivy on their property, this department will spray for it when notified of the location. There is no charge for this service.

The care of existing trees by pruning, cabling, surgery, tree feeding, co-operative work with the Highway Department on snow removal and maintenance of our equipment are just a few of the several other tasks which are all a part of this department's obligations to the townspeople. All mechanical equipment of this department are in very good condition due to the periodic maintenance and repairs that are performed by the workers.

In December, a heavy, wet snowfall caused a large amount of shade tree damage. Much of this repair work will continue into the 1982 season. We experienced more damage from this storm than from some previous hurricanes.

It is with sincerity that I wish to thank my able employees for their loyalty and pride in their work. Also my thanks to other town departments and officials and



the townspeople for their understanding, co-operation and support in my work during the past years.

Respectfully submitted,  
Thomas B. MacQuinn  
*Tree Warden*

## West Bridgewater Historical Commission

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

During 1981 this Commission has been actively gathering material for the submission of historic property reports to the Massachusetts Historical Commission's office in Boston. To date, we have built up a set of files including index cards, miscellaneous notes, photographs, and maps for properties in categories such as buildings (dwellings, churches, schools), structures (bridges, barns, millstones, water wheels), graveyards, and sites. There are on hand some 200 index cards, nearly as many photographs (in duplicate), and almost forty small individual maps, several of which show two or three different properties to be reported separately. We have also voluminous notes on many properties, involving statements from knowing persons, quotes from as many as six histories and the *Encyclopaedia Britannica*, and data from several maps of varying dates and sources. Our volunteers have produced yet more facts to swell our files on graveyards, homes, and structures such as bridges. The Town has at least 16 bridges and 10 graveyards, plus ill-defined sites of three more "burial sites."

Twenty-one reports have been submitted to Boston, with gratifyingly appreciative acknowledgement; nine more were in process at year's end and all but ready to go. This Commission must make every possible effort to insure that each report is factual, clear, and complete — a very time-consuming process.

The Water Wheel is functioning again, and the immediate area is scheduled for improvement, including rebuilding of stone walls, gravel to provide a solid foundation and the addition of loam so that ground-cover can be planted on the higher level. Cedar rails, provided by the Commission through the Water Wheel Account, were used to repair the adjacent fencing. Our thanks go to Selectman Charles Johnson, the Highway Department, and the Park Department for their cooperation. The Commission hopes that a dedication ceremony can be arranged for later this year.

The Commission has also participated in the International Energy-Saving program held in 1981 — both at the Park and at West Bridgewater High School.

Respectfully submitted,  
Charles S. Millet, *Chairman*  
Marjorie E. MacDonald, *Vice Chairman*  
Jessie M. Anderson, *Secretary*  
Anne E. Gillis, *Treasurer*  
Francis J. Peary, *Pictorial Historian*

## **Drury Bell Heritage Time Capsule**

The Drury Bell, Tower and Heritage Time Capsule are located on the Howard Terrace, between West Center St. and Howard St., site of Howard High School which burned in 1949. The Bell, given by Otis Drury in the late 1800's, hangs in a replica of the highest tower of the school. Salvaged tiles form a walkway from the granite steps to the Bell foundation. Dedication ceremonies were held in the Bicentennial. With regret we announce that the curved concrete benches were destroyed by unidentified vandals.

Heritage Time Capsule, in the foundation of the Bell, is to be opened in 2001, the 350th anniversary of First Congregational-Unitarian Church of which Otis Drury, donor, was a member and officer; also 25 years after its sealing. It is requested that the enclosed material be given to the Old Bridgewater Historical Society for safe-keeping. Capsule to be re-filled for another 25 years with pertinent items of that period.

Attention is called to the fact that both the Drury Bell and Heritage Time Capsule are being submitted to the Massachusetts Historical Commission for official listing by the West Bridgewater Historical Commission; hopefully at a later date to be on the National Register.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marjorie E. MacDonald

## **Building Inspector**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby submit the annual report of the Building Inspector for the year 1981.

Single Family Dwellings	12	\$ 546,435.00
Additions and Alterations	25	79,300.00
Mobile Homes	1	1,200.00
Garages and Carports	3	13,500.00
Accessory Buildings	11	11,729.00
Siding	5	17,500.00
Solar Panels	2	8,500.00
Swimming Pools	19	87,845.00
Chimneys and Fireplaces	8	7,500.00
New Business	3	70,924.00
Business Additions and Alterations	17	146,786.00
New Industrial Buildings	2	360,000.00
Industrial Additions and Alterations	1	140,000.00
Private Club Addition	1	20,000.00
Signs	22	8,820.00

Wood and Coal Stoves	30	
Demolitions	<u>3</u>	
TOTALS	165	<u>\$1,520,039.00</u>

To the Board of Selectmen, Fire Chief Charles A. Dyke, and other Town department personnel I express my appreciation for the assistance given this department.

Respectfully submitted,  
John A. Pires, *Building Inspector*

## Inspector of Animals

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby respectfully submit my annual report for the year 1981.

Dairy Herds	9
Cows age two and over	431
Heifers one to two	115
Calves under one year	61
Bulls   Steers	3
Beef Herds	3
Cows age two and over	1
Heifers one to two	2
Calves under one year	
Bulls and Steers	
Number of Goats	48
Goat Herds	12
Number of Sheep	24
Sheep Herds	3
Number of Swine	266
Swine Herds	5
Number of Horses	78
Number of Ponies	22
Number of Donkey	1
Number of dog bites reported to Animal Inspector for quarantine	25

Respectfully submitted,  
Leo Maroni  
*Inspector of Animals*



## Inspector of Gas Fitting

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I respectfully submit my annual report as the Inspector of Gas Fitting for the period March 15, 1981, to December 31, 1981.

There were 52 Gas applications filed for Gas permits.

There were 73 Gas Inspections made in the following type of buildings:

New Dwellings	2
Old Dwellings	33
Commercial Buildings	14
Public Buildings	3
	52

There were 89 Gas appliances installed.

There were 2 Propane Gas installations.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joseph F. Donovan  
*Inspector of Gas Fitting*

## Inspector of Plumbing

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I respectfully submit my annual report as the Inspector of Plumbing for the period March 15, 1981, to December 31, 1981.

There were 58 Plumbing applications filed for Plumbing permits.

There were 96 Plumbing Inspections made in the following type of buildings:

New Dwellings	13
Old Dwellings	38
Commercial Buildings	5
Public Buildings	2
	58

There were 51 Water Heaters installed.

The Massachusetts State Plumbing Code is used as a basis for all Plumbing installations.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joseph F. Donovan  
*Plumbing Inspector*

# Sealer of Weights and Measures

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The following is the report of the Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year of 1981.

Scales under 10 pounds	35
Scales under 100 pounds	17
Scales over 100 pounds	14
Scales over 10,000 pounds	1
Gasoline Pumps	70
Weights	51
Vehicle Tanks	1
Package Reweighing	189
Unit Pricing	81

Returned in fees to Town \$534.20

Respectfully submitted,  
Warren A. Turner  
*Sealer of Weights and Measures*

# Inspector of Wires

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby respectfully submit the report of the inspector of wires for the year 1981.

Services	53	Miscellaneous	12
Temporary Services	3	Pools	22
Rough Wires	33	Fire Jobs	3
Meters	21	Oil Burners	10
Add Outlets	16	Final Inspections	10
Electric Dryers	5	Not Accepted	1
Electric Ranges	7	Signs	1
Water Heaters	18	Locked Premises	2

The latest edition of the Massachusetts Electrical Code was used as a basis for all inspections.

Respectfully submitted,  
Albert M. Greiner  
*Inspector of Wires*

# Report of the Dog Officer

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:  
and Citizens of West Bridgewater

I respectfully submit the following report of the dog officer from January 1981 through December 1981.

Dogs Impounded	220
Owners Claimed	102
Dogs Turned Over to Adoption Center or To New Owners	115
Dogs Destroyed	3
Livestock Reportedly Killed or Injured by Dogs	21
Dogs Injured or Killed on the Roadways	13
Dog Bites Reported to This Department Are Turned Over to the Animal Inspector	
General Assistance Calls . . . Approximately 7 per day (Not Including Calls Involving Cats, Livestock or Wildlife).	

At this time I would like to express my appreciation to the citizens of West Bridgewater for their cooperation and a special thanks to the Police Department for their generous assistance and to the West Bridgewater Veterinary Hospital for prompt treatment of injured animals.

Respectfully submitted,  
Julie A. Vivace  
*Canine Control*

## Industrial Development Finance Authority

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Industrial Revenue Bonds (IRBs) can play a vital part in providing beneficial community services and in boosting area development in these times of great stress for private industry.

Hopefully, no drastic steps will be taken this year in Washington that will eliminate their existence. This committee will continue to be in close touch with Senate and House Committee Members that hold hearings affecting the fate of this program.

We recognize how useful a tool this program can be in interesting a firm to locate or expand in our community and hope to be able to continue to offer industry this financial incentive.

Respectfully submitted,  
Donald L. MacIver  
Joseph L. McMorro  
Robert L. Smith  
Madelyn T. Burke, *Chairman*  
Raymond E. Chace



# Conservation Commission

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:  
and the Citizens of West Bridgewater

On January 10th of 1981 a Notice of Intent was submitted to the Board for a parcel of land on N. Main St., with plans utilizing this land for a Mobile Home Park for Citizens over age 55. After many long hours of negotiations with the developer, representatives from his Engineering Co., the Planning Board, and our Consulting Engineers, an Order of Conditions was issued in early March. This project has yet to get fully under way even though almost a year has past.

Spring and Summer brought its usual flurry of building, additions, and projects that necessitated the filing of Notices of Intent. This year we have experienced a rash of illegal filling, with sometimes questionable material. Projects have been undertaken in direct violation of the act, with unnecessary inconvenience and time consumed by this commission as well as the violators. In most cases a simple inquiry would have prevented a great deal of wasted time, energy and in most cases money. On the other hand, some project planners have approached the board for a determination, filed the necessary information, Public Hearings were held, and Orders of Conditions issued and filed at the Plymouth Registry of Deeds. These projects, though few and far between, compared to the number of violations have been pleasureable to work with. The members of this Commission do not enjoy the role of Watch Dog or Policemen, which ever the case might be.

Late Summer and early Fall were once again busy times for this Commission. Orders of Conditions were released for a Warehouse Storage area anti-pollution device on West St., as well as a Special Parking Facility on West St., expansion plans for Automobile dealers on North Main and South Main Sts., the State D.P.W. for underground drainage on N. Main St. to the Brockton line, and finally a Parking Lot and Exit Driveway on South St. Not all of our actions were for big changes such as those dictated above. In a town where more than 50% of the developable land is subject to the Act, we find there is much work to be done if we are to protect the water quality, prevent flood damage, and preserve the natural resources of our town.

In closing we would like to thank the Highway Dept., Planning Board, Board of Health, Appeals Board, and Board of Selectmen for their help, cooperation, and support this past year.

Respectfully submitted,  
West Bridgewater Conservation Commission  
Linda L. Greene, *Vice Chairman*  
Members  
Howard M. Hayward, *Chairman*  
Linda L. Greene, *Vice Chairman*  
John Dacey, *Clerk*  
Harry (Bud) Barton  
Grete Bohannon  
Hugh Hurley  
Thomas Driscoll

# Southeastern Regional School District

Southeastern Regional School District is represented from the town of West Bridgewater by Eugene Kostecki. There are eight towns and the City of Brockton involved in this regional effort which provides students with occupational training leading directly to jobs.

There are 24 occupational programs offered at the high school level. The high school enrollment is 1,276. There are six occupational programs offered at the post-secondary level; enrollment is 185. A total of 1,461 students attend the day program at Southeastern.

Students from the participating communities number as follows:

Brockton	750
East Bridgewater	69
Easton	103
Foxborough	101
Mansfield	68
Norton	55
Sharon	79
Stoughton	168
West Bridgewater	63
Out of District	5

Because of economic conditions, the evening school during the past year has become self-supporting. Since individuals now pay the total cost of the training, enrollment has been affected slightly.

The job placement program placed 96% of the 1981 graduating class. Job locating and/or placement is available to past graduates as well as to each graduating class. The Technical Institute placement program enjoyed a 100% placement of the students graduating from all programs in the school year 1980-81. Over the last seven years, placement at the Technical Institute has been 100%.

The special needs program continues to be served, in part, by the three regional school collaborative. The collaborative is comprised of Southeastern, Old Colony and Bristol-Plymouth Regional School Districts.

Southeastern continues to explore innovative methods of conducting the process of education at minimal cost to the taxpayers of the District. A survey of the facts available indicates that the cost of operating the Southeastern Regional School District is among the lowest in the state.

In the interests of economy, a change from heating by oil to gas heat has been made this year.

The athletic programs offered this year are on the varsity level only, due to the constraints of Proposition 2 1/2.

An evaluation of the school facilities and programs was conducted by the New England Association of Schools & Colleges. The school was given a five-year accreditation subject to an extension to ten years.

Nearly 300 students were participants in the Co-op Work Program during the 1980-81 school year.

The Southeastern Regional School District Committee and the Teachers' Federation, Local 1849, reached agreement and executed a contract which runs through August 1984.

Respectfully submitted,  
Eugene Kostecki

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**WEST BRIDGEWATER**  
**SCHOOL DEPARTMENT**



# West Bridgewater School Committee

During the past year the School Committee was faced with the task of operating the School Department within the fiscal restraints of Proposition 2 1/2. With the help of a Citizen's Advisory Committee, priorities were established and the School Department budget was reduced by \$316,812. This reduction was accomplished by implementing the following changes:

1. The lunch program was removed from the budget and made self-sufficient;
2. Transportation costs were reduced by increasing mileage limits, eliminating buses;
3. The Spring Street School was closed and all grades were consolidated into three buildings;
4. Student activity funding was reduced by 50%;
5. Supply and Textbook purchasing was reduced or postponed;
6. Non-essential Maintenance was postponed;
7. The Full-Time equivalent of 18 staff positions were eliminated;
8. One Full-Time Administrative position was eliminated.

The School Committee will continue to pursue reductions in staff and expenses that address the demands of declining enrollment and the need to restructure the way in which educational services are delivered. However, our first obligation is to insure that the children of West Bridgewater receive an educational experience that will prepare them for a productive adult life.

We are pleased to report that this year's test results in reading and math indicate that the overwhelming majority of our students scored at or above their grade level. For the most part, those students that were below grade level are receiving extra attention through our Special Education Department.

In order to better monitor curriculum development, the School Committee established a review process with department coordinators that consists of meetings and in-school observation. Among the improvements adopted this year were the establishment of minimum competency standards and the implementation of an advanced program for gifted students.

For all of us, lower taxes are an immediate answer for our need to conserve personal funds. On the other hand, investing tax dollars in education is an investment in the future — the future of the children of West Bridgewater.

The School Committee is responsible for reconciling these opposing needs and will continue to meet this responsibility.

Respectfully submitted,  
Frank Teixeira, *Chairman*  
Leo Cronin, *Vice Chairman*  
Patricia Alger  
Betty Miller  
Joseph McMorrow  
Thomas Kelley

# Superintendent of Schools

The year 1981-1982 has produced a number of significant changes in the West Bridgewater Public Schools as we adjusted to the fiscal limitations affecting all town departments. The more visible changes include a reduction in busing which has resulted in the elimination of three buses and approximately 350 additional students walking to school, a self-supporting school lunch program, and the closure of Spring Street School.

Some of the more subtle changes included programs which were noticed only by those affected by the change. Examples include elimination of 7th and 8th grade Industrial Arts and Home Economics, elimination of junior high and freshman sports, as well as significant reduction in elementary Physical Education, Music, and Art. Material expenses were trimmed almost 50% while equipment expenses were trimmed at 85%. A total of 22 positions funded in our 1980-1981 budget no longer exist.

Many townspeople assisted the School Committee in meeting the need to reduce our budget. Those forty or so citizens, too numerous to list here, who freely gave of their time during last January and February deserve a thank-you from all residents.

A number of exciting things have happened this year in the schools. Elementary students at the Howard School will be introduced to computers late this spring or early next fall! A project entitled "The Computer As An Education Tool in the Elementary School" was written by Language Arts Coordinator Elaine Rosen, Math Coordinator Robert Kellogg and Robert Ciullo, elementary consultant in computer education.

Specifically, the program at the Howard School will provide remedial assistance through additional teaching, drill and practice and reinforcement in the areas of vocabulary and comprehension, rate of reading, spelling, language skills, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, problem solving, science and social studies concepts.

In addition, the computer project will provide enrichment activities for all students, which involves an extension of their learning to problem solving situations.

For the more gifted student, it will provide opportunities for challenge and creativity through the actual development and implementation of programs and computer assisted simulation.

The Howard School students will work independently in small groups, or in pairs to receive remedial assistance, additional practice or reinforcement, while the better-abled students will be taught to operate and develop their own programs.

A Parents Advisory Committee was formed this year to work with Tom Peters, Director of Special Needs, in providing support to our special needs program. The council, led by chairperson Donna Chipoli, may be one of the first parent organizations to receive a grant, in the neighborhood of a thousand dollars, from the Commonwealth In-Service Institute.

Mrs. Chipoli helped write the grant proposal which will help ensure that parents are advised of their rights and the rights of their children with regard to both state and federal laws dealing with special education.

PAC secretary Virginia Michael says the grant will also bring noted authorities on special needs to West Bridgewater to talk to the parents. Speakers such as Patricia Bausman of the Federation for Children, Russell Latham, Director of Special Needs



at Dighton-Rehoboth Regional School District, and Dr. Elizabeth Bozler of Sudbury, would address the special needs parents of the town.

A number of our high school arts students participated in the Boston Globe Scholastic Art Awards Competition. Two students, Sarah Utka and Catherine Denzer, received the Gold Key Award.

Finally, we initiated a K-8 testing program during the 1980-1981 school year. The second year of test results were received in November and we have found the material most helpful. Growth for students has been charted, and we find that students improved their reading skills 1.3 years, their language skills 1.2 years and their math skills 1.3 years. This information is encouraging because it illustrates that students as a group are progressing quite well throughout our elementary program. We will be studying the information obtained so that we can identify the strengths and weaknesses of our curriculum.

## **West Bridgewater Junior - Senior High School**

Providing and maintaining educational programs and student body activities consistent with the needs and interests of students, continues to be the primary function of the Junior-Senior High School. Changes in society's attitude toward and support for public school education has stimulated the administration and staff to seek new, different, and effective means of delivering services to the student body.

Program elimination has been minimal; program reduction considered and implemented in areas of least impact and in the majority of curriculum offerings, the status quo has been maintained.

The High School administration and the department coordinators meet twice monthly to review, discuss and analyze issues relating to the organization and operation of individual departments and the school in general. The following is a list of topics under consideration at present:

1. Staff Evaluations
2. Interdisciplinary Programs
3. Mid-year and Final Examinations (departmentalized exams)
4. Curriculum Development
5. Student Conduct
6. Academic Progress Reports
7. Support Services (Guidance, Library, Audio-Visual)
8. Special Needs Procedures
9. Scheduling
10. Budget
11. Public Relations

The majority of the aforementioned subjects involve an on-going process.

The Commission on public schools of the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, Inc., accepted the two-year progress report of the West Bridgewater Junior-Senior High School with no change in the school's accredited status. The Commission commended West Bridgewater Junior-Senior High School for the steps taken to implement a more flexible schedule, to develop a more effective public relations program and to implement the recommendations concerning the health

and safety of building occupants. The Commission shared its concern with the changes that have taken place in school programs since the evaluation:

- the effect which the inclusion of the seventh grade has had on the school programs and facilities;
- the programs being offered to grade eight students due to the elimination of home economics and industrial arts;
- the effect which the elimination of the junior high school interscholastic athletic program has had on school activities.

A special progress report will be submitted to the Commission next October on the above issues.

We wish to report to the residents of West Bridgewater that the professional and nonprofessional staff has demonstrated a sincere and successful effort to adjust to the change necessitated by current fiscal restraint.

It is with pleasure we state that the vast majority of students have accepted and are meeting their responsibilities to themselves, their school and their parents.

Guidance is a process of helping the individual to become familiar with a wide range of information about oneself, his or her own aptitudes, interests, past performance and potential for future development. By providing a supportive, non-authoritative relationship, the Counselor can help students gain insight into the process of decision-making and assist the student in acquiring greater realization of one's potentialities. This is accomplished through educational, vocational and personal counseling which is provided on an individual and group basis.

Career education is one aspect of the guidance process. Since the process should be "action-oriented", the Guidance Department has implemented this year a basic orientation, self-awareness, and career development program for seventh and eighth grade students.

A total of \$43,000 in scholarships were awarded to over sixty graduates and former graduates of West Bridgewater High School. The total represents donations from townspeople, local businesses, organizations and trust funds, and does not include scholarships awarded to West Bridgewater seniors by colleges or universities.

## Howard School

The Howard School houses Grade 4 (4 classes), Grade 5 (5 classes), Grade 6 (4 classes), and a Special Needs Resource Center — a total of 308 children.

A typical intermediate level child's daily schedule consists of participating in learning activities in the following areas:

	Minutes
Reading	100
Language Arts	55
(Language, Handwriting, Spelling)	
Arithmetic	55
Social Studies/Science	45
Specialized Areas	45
(Art, Music, Library, Physical Education)	



Lunch/Recess	60
Homeroom Activities	30

In addition to the basic academic areas, the staff at the Howard School is concerned with helping children develop responsibility and decision-making skills. Some of these are individual skills: self-control, self-direction, self-expression, and self-reflection. Others are group skills: cooperation, sharing, the ability to look at a problem from another point of view, and problem-solving. Through guided practice and structured peer experiences, children *practice responsibility* throughout the school day.

As an extension of the school day, children are also expected to do homework. The homework given is designed to prepare a child in accepting responsibility and to provide an extension for the material taught at school. The homework expectations are increased as the child progresses through the grades.

## Rose L. MacDonald School

This year marked the reorganization and transfer from Spring Street School to Rose L. MacDonald School. The young children adjusted to their new school much faster than was anticipated due to the extra time and effort each teacher gave to make this transition successful. In addition, the teachers helped with the scheduling to utilize the time and resources for all the children. I am grateful to all of them for their help.

Presently, all the classrooms and the specialized teaching areas are fully utilized. The enrollment for Rose L. MacDonald is as follows:

- Kindergarten — 66 — 4 classes
- Grade 1 — 87 — 4 classes
- Grade 2 — 78 — 4 classes
- Grade 3 — 90 — 4 classes

Providing small class sizes at the elementary level has helped the teachers devote more time to individual instruction. This year's kindergarten class is the smallest in the school system.

There are a number of parents who are actively volunteering their time to help classroom teachers. We will continue to encourage all parents to do this so that teachers can devote more of their time for direct services to the children.

At the primary level our most important tasks are reading and math. We have extended the time devoted to math each day to one full hour and will continue to expand the math groupings in each class.

## Special Needs Department

The Special Education Department is presently servicing 197 students in Grades K-12. Reorganization of staff at the three schools and the addition of a vocational-occupational program at the High School has addressed the specific needs of students in the program.

This coming year our emphasis will be to continue developing programs that best meet the needs at the elementary level, especially those in the area of "language development".

The formation of a Parent Advisory Council has exceeded our expectations. These parents have become a very active and enthusiastic group and at present have developed a series of workshops for "parent-education programs" for which funding is being applied for through the State Department of Education.

The Special Education staff has been very willing to participate in the following workshops this year:

1. Annual workshop for teacher's review of student records and educational plans.
2. Workshop to update staff on changes of Chapter 766 that took place this past July.
3. Workshop on Special Education Handbook. This resulted in an increase in efficiency and uniformity of forms and procedures used system wide. It also met requirements of the law.
4. Workshop on pre-referral procedures. Department Coordinators and Specialists disseminated this process to their staff.
5. Language based education workshop for elementary school specialists.
6. Edu-com workshop to computerize the writing of educational plans. It's our hope that this will result in increasing the time for direct services to students by Special Education staff.

# Treasurer's Report For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1981

We were forced to borrow \$800,000.00 on short term loans at a cost of \$5,694.43.

The interest paid was recuperated by interest earnings of \$56,977.00 resulting in a gain to the Town of \$51,282.57.

I continue to appreciate your concern and support of the Treasurer's Department.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joseph F. McCann,  
*Treasurer-Collector*

## TO BE APPROPRIATED FOR JULY 1, 1982 – JUNE 30, 1983

Department	Bond Principal	Bond Interest	Total
School Bonds	\$170,105.00	\$32,735.00	\$202,840.00
Water Bonds	45,000.00	15,690.00	60,690.00
Other	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	\$215,105.00	\$48,425.00	\$298,530.00



# Board of Appeals

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Board of Appeals respectfully submits its Annual Report for 1981.

During 1981 the Board of Appeals acted upon (9) nine requests for a variance: (7) seven were granted, (2) two were denied, and (2) two of those decisions granting a variance have been challenged in the higher courts.

Our town By-Laws provide for a Zoning Board of Appeals who are appointed by the Board of Selectmen. This board consists of (5) five members and (2) two alternate members who are appointed for a (5) five year term so arranged that the term of one member shall expire each year. Our Board each year elects a chairman, vice chairman, and a clerk from within its own members. Our specific duties are to hear and decide appeals, applications for special permits, petitions for variances, and to decide appeals from decisions of the zoning administrators (selectmen). Meetings of the board are held at the call of the chairman and these meetings or hearing dates are governed by a specific set of rules according to The Zoning Act Chapter 40A.

We wish to acknowledge the great assistance and cooperation extended this Board during the course of the year by the Town Clerk, Anna Brown and the assessors office Shirley Bowman.

Respectfully submitted,  
William E. Turner, Jr.  
*Chairman*

William E. Turner, Jr., *Chairman*  
Harry Pierson, Jr., *Vice Chairman*  
Diana Lothrop, *Clerk*  
Henry Podolsky, *Member*  
George Merritt, *Member*  
Robert Miskinis, *Alt. Member*  
Harry Ketler, *Alt. Member*

## Street Lighting Committee

Due to the fact that one third of the existing street lights in the Town of West Bridgewater were temporarily disconnected as a result of the fiscal constraints imposed by Proposition 2 1/2, the Street Lighting Committee will not be recommending any additions this year.

Respectfully submitted,  
John B. Sillars, *Chairman*  
John F. Daly  
Raymond L. Silva  
Arthur W. Steptoe  
James F. Purpura

## Civil Defense

The top priority for the Civil Defense Department is *immediate* aid for you in the event of an emergency. This has been taken care of with the cooperation of Supt. John Drinkwater, the School Committee and Leo Moroni. Should it become necessary to provide shelter for families due to unexpected power failures, etc., accommodations have been arranged to handle this contingency. Numbers for you to call are:

Civil Defense Director	586-1394
Fire Department	586-4137
Police Department	586-2528

West Bridgewater is fortunate to have Harry Ketler as Chief Communication Officer. He is highly competent. The other individuals serving you in the Civil Defense Department are:

Ronald Snell, Deputy Civil Defense Director  
Robert Werner, Public Information Officer  
Warren E. Turner, Radio Officer  
Merton Ouderkirk, Shelter Manager  
Elmer W. Walker, Shelter Officer  
John A. Dacey, Message Officer

The Board of Selectmen have been asked to authorize the formation of an Auxiliary Police Force. They have taken the matter under consideration.

Respectfully submitted,  
Michael Manugian  
*Civil Defense Director*

# Planning Board

To the Residents of West Bridgewater, we, the members of the Planning Board, submit this annual report on our activities for the year 1981. The Planning Board reaffirmed its organization of officers in May with the election of Donald G. Asack, Chairman; Howard A. Anderson, Vice Chairman; and Wilfred G. Howard, Clerk.

Twenty-five (25) meetings were held throughout the year including two (2) public hearings and one (1) special meeting. The Planning Board approved the Cowesset Estates Sub-Division off of Turnpike Street being developed by Ronald Snell of West Bridgewater; the Matfield Woods "Mobile Home Park Sub-Division" to be located adjacent to the Beacon Trailer Park and being developed by A.M.K. Realty of Brockton; and a one lot sub-division on South Street owned by Donald and Judith Seablom of Lakeville, Massachusetts.

The Planning Board has altered its conditional approval of Paradise Park Sub-Division (163 house lots formerly the Copeland Farm), to comply with judicial instructions concerning the access and use of Samuel Avenue.

Action has been taken and presentations prepared for the annual Town Meeting for Town's adoption of a By-Law implementing the National Flood Insurance Program for the Town of West Bridgewater.

In conjunction with the Old Colony Planning Council, the Planning Board has begun discussions and studies concerning the possible rezoning and modification of the Master Zoning Plan for the Town of West Bridgewater.

We are further in the process of a major revision of the Planning Board's own rules and regulations concerning the development of sub-divisions.

The Planning Board would like to express its appreciation for the fine cooperation it has received from all Town Departments; with special recognition to the consistent helpfulness of Anna Brown, the Town Clerk and John Pires, Building Inspector.

Respectfully submitted,  
Donald G. Asack, *Chairman*  
Howard A. Anderson, *Vice-Chairman*  
Wilfred G. Howard, *Clerk*  
D. Christopher Cross  
William E. Turner, Jr.

## **Town Counsel**

During the past year, the Town was a Defendant in ten superior court actions. Eight have been resolved in favor of the town, and of the remaining two, a favorable finding is expected. The following briefly outlines last year's activity.

### **TOWN**

**v.**

### **SOUTHEAST REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

In late August, 1981, the Vocational School wrote to several West Bridgewater students, who had been accepted for the September freshman class, that their places would not be assured unless the Selectmen voted to restore certain monies cut from the 1981 annual Town meeting. The Town immediately filed suit against the Regional School Committee to compel enrollment of the students. The Court recognized and condemned the retaliatory tactics of the School Committee and ordered the students to be admitted the first day of school. The Selectmen voted not to further pursue the suit.

### **BREADMORE**

**v.**

### **TUCK & ROGERS**

Breadmore and others filed a civil rights action in 1981, in the United States District Court against police officers Philip Tuck, and Raymund Rogers. The suit claimed use of excessive force in arresting members of a picket line at Trucchi's Supermarket. Following preliminary proceedings, the suit was settled in August, 1981 without any cost to the town or the police officers.

### **PARADISE PARK DEVELOPERS**

**v.**

### **THE PLANNING BOARD**

Following a trial in early June in the Superior Court, the Plaintiff, a developer, who since 1975 has been seeking to construct a 145 home sub-division off Samuel Avenue, agreed to revise his sub-division plan for egress to the satisfaction of the Planning Board.

### **KEVIN JOHNSON**

**v.**

### **THE TOWN**

Kevin Johnson, and several others, all police officers, sought to recover overtime wages back to 1972 for time spent at the police training academy. On December 4, 1981, the Superior Court effectively dismissed their claim, stating that it should have pursued through the collective bargaining process.



**ALLEN BREER**

**v.**

**THE TOWN**

Allen Breer, and several firefighters filed suit in Superior Court in May of 1979 for overtime wages. As in the police case, the Court dismissed the suit in October, 1981.

**CARRIER & WARDWELL**

**v.**

**THE BOARD OF APPEALS**

There are two separate Superior Court actions filed respectively in December, 1981, and January, 1982 appealing a decision of the Board of Appeals in granting a variance to the owners of the Canoe Club. Both Carrier and Wardwell are abutters to the Canoe Club property.

**JAMES YARFRATE**

**v.**

**THE BOARD OF APPEALS**

Yafrate also filed suit in Superior Court early in 1982 against the Board of Appeals for granting a variance to Gordon Tessier allowing the construction of a shed to house a boat.

**IRENE NOGUEIRA**

**v.**

**THE TOWN**

The Plaintiff, Irene Nogueira, filed suit in Superior Court against several persons including the Town for snow and ice injuries. The Town is now a passive party to this action inasmuch as it has been determined that ownership of the sidewalk (corner of West Center & North Main Streets) is in a private person(s), with sufficient insurance coverage. No cost is expected to be incurred by the town.

**BAY STATE GAS COMPANY**

**v.**

**THE TOWN**

Bay State Gas Company filed suit in the Superior Court in September, 1981 against the Board of Selectmen and the Town disputing the payment of a street opening application. The Company intends to install new lines and repair existing ones and questions the Town's right under its by-laws to increase the street opening fee from \$10.00 to \$25.00.

**MARTINI**  
**v.**  
**THE TOWN**

The Plaintiff, a former CETA worker in the Brockton Consortium allegedly sustained automobile injuries while on duty. He filed suit in Superior Court against all members of the Consortium including the Town. The matter is still pending as the Town became a passive party to the action, with most of the activity directed against the Town of Abington.

**PAUL LAMOUREUX**  
**v.**  
**THE TOWN**

Other matters still pending for final court action are Paul Lamoureux against the Town for back police wages for being allegedly hurt on the job (although Lamoureux since March, 1982 has been collecting disability pension. He has not withdrawn his court case and is seeking back pay for use of vacation and sick time and attorney's fees.

The Silvia and Giovanni cases remain pending involving a right of way and zoning violation, as well as the Estabrooks case.

The Board of Health continues to examine alleged violations of the sanitary code and flooding conditions at Beacon Mobile Home Park. The Board met with residents of the Park in May of 1981, and again on December 2, 1981, and they have the matter under advisement.

**A.M.K. REALTY**  
**v.**  
**THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

A.M.K. Realty, developers of a proposed mobile home park on North Main Street, and owners of several large tracts in the industrial zone off Manley Street have filed for real estate tax abatements with the Appellate Tax Board. The docket numbers and description of the parcels are on file at the Assessor's Office.

**THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT**  
**v.**  
**DALE POWERS**

In January, 1982, the School Department filed for a probable cause hearing in the Brockton District Court for an accounting of candy sales from fund raising of a former advisor to the high school color guard.

# THE SELECTMEN

v.

## THE STEER CLUB, PENTHOUSE LOUNGE AND BEACON PACKAGE STORE

The Board of Selectmen, acting as the local licensing authority and following a hearing, imposed a three day suspension on the Steer Club in July, 1981, for selling alcoholic beverages to a minor. The same facts were presented against the Penthouse Lounge and a suspension was imposed. The matter was contested as well as the Board's charges of fictitious ownership.

Following a hearing on January 18, 1982, the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission remanded the matter back to the Board of Selectmen. The Selectmen held another hearing on February 15, 1982 and ordered all records and financial data of the Club to be brought to the hearing.

Evidence of ownership was shown to the satisfaction of the Board and a decision issued allowing the Club's continued operation, but with strict notice to comply with all of the requirements of ownership.

The Selectmen, following a hearing on March 8, 1982, suspended for three days the license of the Beacon Package Store for selling alcoholic beverages to a minor. The licensee has claimed an appeal.

I wish to thank all Town Boards and Officials for their assistance and cooperation.

The Board of Selectmen continue to maintain a high standard of being open and fair with all who come before them.

They also spend many hours at the Town Hall attempting to resolve problems and working in the Town's best interests.

A special thanks is extended to Mrs. Bucci, confidential secretary to the Board of Selectmen, whose patience and diligence are readily apparent to all who come in contact with her.

Respectfully submitted,  
J. Joseph Lydon  
*Town Counsel*

# Collector of Taxes

I am submitting my report as Tax Collector.  
It has been a pleasure to serve the people of West Bridgewater and I wish to express my appreciation for the cooperation received from the other Departments and the Citizens of West Bridgewater.

	Outstanding 1/1/8/	Committed 1981	Abated 1981	Refunds 1981	Collected 1981	Tax Total	Balance 12/31/81
1978 Motor Vehicle	9,154.77	19.80			36.30		9,138.27
1979 Motor Vehicle	15,634.26		3,028.01		5.50		15,628.76
1980 Motor Vehicle	49,720.15	8,649.34	8,394.35	949.78	21,808.35		34,482.91
1981 Motor Vehicle		178,393.14		1,340.08	148,515.64		22,823.23
1977 Personal Property	540.30		220.00		100.30		220.00
1978 Personal Property	935.30		371.30		305.50		258.50
1979 Personal Property	4,185.60		2,292.00		216.00		1,677.60
1980 Personal Property	1,918.20		745.20		207.00		966.00
1981 Personal Property	57,559.20		20.00	800.00	56,293.20		2,046.00
1982 Personal Property		96,307.68	453.60		46,934.16		48,919.92
1978 Farm	25.00		25.00				-----
1979 Farm	100.50				76.00		24.50
1980 Farm	391.00				79.00		312.00
1981 Farm		1,297.32			1,225.82		71.50
1981/82 Water	14,156.04	119,304.22	288.37		101,519.27	14,691.60	16,961.00
1980 Water Liens	30.00						30.00
1981 Water Liens	1,926.18				1,231.61	505.60	213.87
1982 Water Liens		14,691.60		24.90	11,494.28		3,358.12
1979 Real Estate	16,743.24			150.80	1,643.30	11,040.20	5,603.04
1980 Real Estate	44,332.28	1,142.70			1,706,303.23	13,741.47	30,090.21
1981 Real Estate	1,813,984.99	1,292.00	2,744.00	9,528.13	1,375,496.74	441,615.08	74,142.81
1982 Real Estate		2,985,300.70	48,321.26	4,747.48			1,566,230.18
Trailer Park Excise	2,031,337.01				3,473,491.20		1,833,198.44
Interest Collected					7,128.00		
Charges Collected					11,729.80		
					1,959.00		
					3,494,308.00		

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph F. McCann  
Treasurer-Collector



**Annual Report  
of the  
Town Accountant  
of  
West Bridgewater  
Massachusetts  
For the Fiscal Year Ending  
June 30, 1981**

To the Board of Selectmen:

I submit herewith my Annual Report in accordance with Chapter 41, Section 61, of the General Laws, for the year ended June 30, 1981. Please note that Exhibits and Schedules generally included in my report have been omitted. The information is contained in the Auditors Report of the Financial Statements and is shown elsewhere in the town report.

Respectfully submitted,  
Arthur E. Chaves,  
*Town Accountant*

# ESTIMATED REVENUE — June 30, 1981

Source	Estimated	Actual	Excess (Deficiency)
Loss of Taxes-State owned Land \$	47,171.00	\$ 44,419.00	\$( 2,752.00)
Loss of Taxes-Abatements	17,992.00	13,355.00	( 4,637.00)
School Aid-Chapter 70	650,769.00	647,103.00	( 3,666.00)
Transportation of pupils	31,529.00	29,436.00	( 2,093.00)
School Related Transportation	8,109.00	5,512.00	( 2,597.00)
School Tuition-State Wards	—	8,688.00	8,688.00
Police Career Incentive	10,651.00	18,919.00	8,268.00
Veterans Benefits	8,185.00	11,169.00	2,984.00
Highway Reconstruction	38,784.00	38,784.00	—
Local Aid Fund	118,313.00	118,322.00	9.00
Local Aid Fund-Lottery	50,390.00	61,099.00	10,709.00
Highway Fund	29,458.00	29,510.00	52.00
School Construction	93,836.00	96,343.00	2,507.00
Highway Safety	—	3,730.00	3,730.00
Total State	1,105,187.00	1,126,389.00	21,202.00
Motor Vehicle Excise	450,761.00	207,653.00	(243,108.00)
Licenses	29,743.00	27,015.00	( 2,728.00)
Fines	68,513.00	74,110.00	5,597.00
General Government	26,064.00	23,456.00	( 2,608.00)
School	7,026.00	3,803.00	( 3,223.00)
Libraries	639.00	886.00	247.00
Interest	35,207.00	70,496.00	35,289.00
Farm Animal Excise	901.00	743.00	( 158.00)
Trailer Park Fees	6,489.00	7,083.00	594.00
Total Local	625,343.00	415,245.00	210,098.00
TOTALS	1,730,530.00	1,541,634.00	(118,896.00)
Water user Charges	103,000.00	96,317.00	6,683.00

# Auditors Report

To the Board of Selectmen:

I have examined the balance sheets of the Town of West Bridgewater as of June 30, 1981, and the related statement of cash receipts and disbursements and fund balances for the year then ended. My examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances.

In accordance with accounting practices for municipalities as established by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the accounts are kept on a modified accrual basis whereby accounts receivable are recorded but with exception of real and personal property receivables, the revenues from these receivables are deferred until actually collected. No depreciation is recorded. Items of a capital nature, for which no funds are borrowed, are charged directly against current revenues. Items of a capital nature, for which funds are borrowed, are charged against revenue as the borrowed funds mature and are paid.

In my opinion, the accompanying balance sheets and the related statements of cash receipts and disbursements and fund balances presents fairly the cash, accounts receivable, deferred revenues and fund balances of the Town of West Bridgewater as of June 30, 1981, and its receipts and disbursements for the year then ended in conformity with accounting procedures for municipalities established by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Very truly yours,  
Anthony V. Sulmonte

**TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER**  
**GENERAL FUND – BALANCE SHEET – JUNE 30, 1981**

<b>Assets</b>			
<b>Cash</b>			
Checking			\$ 274,990
Certificates of deposit	\$ 280,000		
Bank repurchase agreements	320,000		600,000
<b>Accounts Receivable:</b>			
Real estate taxes – Levy of:			
1979	\$ 5,603		
1980	30,090		
1981	129,723	165,416	
Personal property – Levy of:			
1977	320		
1978	564		
1979	1,894		
1980	1,173		
1981	2,496	6,447	
Motor vehicle excise – Levy of:			
1978	9,155		
1979	15,629		
1980	38,216		
1981	30,504	93,504	
Farm Animals – Levy of:			
1979	100		
1980	391	491	
Deferred taxes		3,304	
Taxes in litigation		5,416	
Tax titles and possessions		223,000	
Water rates and services		24,677	
Veterans services		10,181	
Highway aid		22,530	554,966
<b>Estimated Receipts – 1981-1982:</b>			
General	4,424,934		
Water	140,000		
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<b>Total Assets</b>			<b>\$5,994,890</b>



**Liabilities and Reserves****Miscellaneous Accounts**

Warrants payable	\$ 521,777	
Dog licenses due county	476	\$ 522,253

**Unexpended Balances:**

Federal Grants	23,975	
Revolving Funds	105,603	
Trust Funds	4,703	
Prior year appropriations	77,874	
1981-1982 appropriations	4,569,970	4,782,125

**Estimates in Excess of Expenditures:**

County Hospital	822	
Special education	5,763	
State recreation areas	400	
Air pollution	183	
Mosquito control	41	7,209

**Provisions in Excess of Abatements —**

Prior Years		29,156
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**Revenue Reserve Until Collected:**

Motor vehicle excise	93,504	
Deferred taxes	3,304	
Taxes in litigation	5,416	
Tax titles and possessions	223,000	
Water rates and services	24,677	
Highway aid	22,530	
Departmental revenue	10,672	383,103

**Surplus Revenue (Schedule A-1)**

Less-Overdrawn and underestimated		
accounts: Abatements 1979	\$ 2,292	
County Tax	10,288	
	<u>12,580</u>	<u>271,044</u>

**Total Liabilities and Reserves**

**\$5,994,890**

# SURPLUS REVENUE – JUNE 30, 1981

<b>Balance July 1, 1980</b>			\$477,157
<b>Items Credited Directly:</b>			
Tax titles and possessions redeemed	\$ 74,349		
State aid highway	21,318		
Appropriation previous fiscal year –			
Restored – O.C.W.P.C.D.	18,902		
Prior years real estate taxes	3,985		
Sale of books	353		
		<u>118,907</u>	
			596,064
<b>Items Charged Directly:</b>			
Tax titles	92,945		
Appropriations by Town Meeting:			
Group insurance	\$10,000		
Casualty insurance	11,532		
Unemployment insurance	14,000		
Police cruisers	8,400		
Highway-State aided	47,821		
Highway truck	800		
		92,553	
			<u>185,498</u>
<b>Balance before closing</b>			410,566
Excess of appropriations over			
expenditures – General	68,637		
Excess of estimated receipts over			
actual	(188,896)		
Deficit – Water Department	(6,683)		
		<u>(126,942)</u>	
<b>Balance June 30, 1981</b>			\$283,624

**SUMMARY OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS  
AND BANK BALANCES – GENERAL FUND  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1981**

<b>Balance July 1, 1980</b>	<b>\$ 298,022</b>
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**Cash Receipts – Year Ended June 30, 1981**

<b>Schedule B</b>	22,375,863
	22,673,885

**Cash Disbursements – Year Ended June 30, 1981**

<b>Schedule B</b>	(22,398,895)
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**Balance June 30, 1981:**

Plymouth Home National Bank	\$ 3,857	
Rockland Trust Company	1,417	
Lincoln Trust Company	1,539	
New England Merchants National Bank	9,681	
Harbor National Bank	70,403	
Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Company	2,462	
The First National Bank of Boston	1,764	
State Street Bank and Trust Co.	1,507	
Shawmut Bank of Boston	1,396	
Shawmut First County	15,703	
Century Bank	1,000	

Totals on Deposit	110,729	
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Cash on Hand	164,261	\$ 274,990
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**CASH RECEIPTS — GENERAL ACCOUNT**  
**YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1981**

<b>Taxes:</b>		
Real Estate	\$3,382,016	
Personal Property	111,274	
Motor Vehicle Excise	207,653	
Trailer Excise	7,083	
Farm Animal Excise	743	
Tax Title Redemptions	38,692	\$3,747,461

**State Grants and Distributions:**

Loss of Taxes	57,774	
Police Career Incentive	18,919	
Veterans Benefits	11,169	
Highway	93,342	
Transportation of Pupils	29,436	
School Construction	96,343	
School Related Transportation	5,512	
School Tuition — State Wards	8,688	
School Aid	647,103	
Lottery and Local Aid	179,421	
Library Aid	3,215	1,150,922

**County Government:**

Dog Licenses	1,822
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**Local Licenses and Permits**

27,015

**Fines**

74,110

**Federal Grants:**

Council on Aging	2,400	
Community Grants	2,500	
Schools	122,767	127,667

**General Government:**

Charges & Fees	3,651
Health	1,100
Sealer of Weights & Measures	547
Council on Aging	514
Conservation Commission	243
Miscellaneous	7,256
Sale of Books	353
Sale of Land	35,450
Tax Title — Interest, Fees & Recording Costs	5,830



Planning Board — Roosevelt Ave.	\$	7,540	
Police Trustee		1,415	\$ 63,899
<b>Schools:</b>			
Miscellaneous			3,803
<b>Water Rates &amp; Services</b>			96,317
<b>Interest:</b>			
Investments	\$	56,977	
Taxes & Excise		13,519	70,496
<b>Revolving Funds:</b>			
Payroll		2,347,657	
School Lunch		106,334	
Federal and State Aid Lunch Program		65,762	
School Athletics		2,463	
Gasoline		46,994	
Police		59,552	
Vocational		5,586	2,634,348
<b>Agency:</b>			
Payroll Deductions		1,094,295	
Dog Licenses		3,079	
Meals Tax		406	1,097,780
<b>Trust Funds:</b>			
Library Trust Fund		2,031	
Cemetery		334	
W.J. & A.C. Howard Scholarship		303	2,668
<b>Investments</b>			12,195,000
<b>Refunds</b>			17,555
<b>Loans — Anticipation of Revenue</b>			800,000
<b>Sale of Bonds</b>			<u>265,000</u>
<b>Total</b>			\$22,375,863

# Town of West Bridgewater Cash Disbursements and Appropriation Accounts Year Ended June 30, 1981

Account	Balance	Appropriation	Transfers	Expenditures	Balance	
	7/1/80	FY 6/30/81	Receipts		To Revenue	To 6/30/82
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:						
Selectmen		\$ 23,699	\$ 2,001	\$ 25,700		
Accountant		8,130	42	8,172		
Treasurer		48,248	344	48,592		
Treasurer Tax Titles	\$ 9,134			7,501	\$ 2,750 (1)	\$ 1,633
Treasurer-Safe-Revenue Sharing	2,750					
Assessor		18,012		17,747	265	
Town Clerk		18,243		18,233	10	
Election and Registration		8,513		7,606	907	
Town Hall		18,520	50	18,381	189	
Town Hall-Energy Conservation		2,459				2,459
Town Hall-Photostat Machine		9,170		9,170		
Town Counsel		11,500	3,087	14,587		
Town Hall Repairs			961	676		285
Moderator		140		140		
Finance Committee		150		70		80
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	11,884	166,784	6,485	176,575	4,486	4,092
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:						
Police		488,026	12,252	500,278		

**Town of West Bridgewater**  
**Cash Disbursements and Appropriation Accounts**  
**Year Ended June 30, 1981 (cont.)**

	Balance 7/1/80	Appropriation FY 6/30/81	Transfers Receipts	Expenditures	Balance To 6/30/82	
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY CONTINUED:						
Police-Overdraft-1980	\$ (29,677)	\$ 29,677		\$ 15,200		
Police-Cruiser		15,200				\$ 8,400
Police-Cruiser		8,400				1,000
Police-Station Plans		2,000				
Police-Trustee Account			\$ 1,415	1,000		
Police-Revolving		2,000	59,552	59,648		1,904
Police-Revolving		221,453	3,704	225,157		
Fire		17,096				
Fire-Overdraft-1980	(17,096)					
Fire-Fuel Oil Spill			283	283		
Tree Warden		70,032		69,845	\$ 187	
Tree Mower		1,600		1,600		
Appeals Board		800		399	401	
Building Inspector		12,280		12,196	84	
Civil Defense		1,074		959	115	
Dog Officer		13,575	240	13,815		
Engineering Service		1,000		125	875	
Fuel Depot		250		222	28	
M.D.C.		100			100	
M.D.C.-Finance Authority	139	100		4	235	

**Town of West Bridgewater  
Cash Disbursements and Appropriation Accounts  
Year Ended June 30, 1981 (cont.)**

	Balance 7/1/80	Appropriation FY 6/30/81	Transfers Receipts	Expenditures	Balance To Revenue To 6/30/82	
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY CONTINUED:						
Planning Board		\$ 2,075	\$ 372	\$ 2,447		
Planning Board-Legal	\$ 1,904			1,904		
Planning Board-Propas Bond		685	7,925	7,925		
Scaler of Weights		1,160		683	\$ 2	
Wire Inspector				815	345	
TOTAL PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY	(44,730)	888,583	85,743	915,920	2,372	\$ 11,304
HEALTH AND SANITATION:						
Gas Inspector		775		617	158	
Health		104,660		100,727		3,933
Health-Multi-Health		3,936		3,936		
Health-Sanitary Landfill-						
Revenue Sharing	4,045			164		3,881
Health-Drainage-Revenue Sharing	35,082					35,082
TOTAL HEALTH AND SANITATION	39,127	109,371		105,444	158	42,896

**HIGHWAYS:**

Highway 225,102

175,404

49,698



**Town of West Bridgewater  
Cash Disbursements and Appropriation Accounts  
Year Ended June 30, 1981 (cont.)**

	Balance 7/1/80	Appropriation FY 6/30/81	Transfers Receipts	Expenditures	Balance To Revenue	Balance To 6/30/82
<b>HIGHWAYS CONTINUED:</b>						
Street Lights		\$ 48,713	\$ 1,172	\$ 49,885		
Trucks		16,084	\$ 800	16,884		
State Aid		64,749		44,285		\$ 20,464
Sewer Master Plan	\$ 37,500					37,500
Clinton St. Bridge			1,000	1,000		
Gas Revolving	1,876		46,994	44,812		4,058
Insurance			518	518		
<b>TOTAL HIGHWAY</b>	<b>39,376</b>	<b>354,648</b>	<b>50,484</b>	<b>332,788</b>	<b>49,698</b>	<b>62,022</b>
<b>PUBLIC WELFARE:</b>						
Veterans Services		30,305		28,170	2,135	
<b>TOTAL PUBLIC WELFARE</b>		<b>30,305</b>		<b>28,170</b>	<b>2,135</b>	
<b>SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES:</b>						
Schools:		3,011,158	100	2,815,763	4,462	191,033
Encumbered	100,236			99,658	578	
Athletic Revolving	610		3,126	663		3,073
School-Hot Lunch	13,819		172,096	169,470		16,445
Energy Repairs		103,452	265,000	290,261		78,191
Energy Grant	10,000		20,340	30,340		

**Town of West Bridgewater  
Cash Disbursements and Appropriation Accounts  
Year Ended June 30, 1981 (cont.)**

	Balance 7/1/80	Appropriation FY 6/30/81	Transfers Receipts	Expenditures	Balance To Revenue To 6/30/82	
<b>SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES CONTINUED:</b>						
Vocational Education Revolving	\$ 1,958	\$ 4,030	\$ 5,586	\$ 4,624	\$ 3,453	\$ 2,920
Regional School		77,422		77,422		
United Cerebral Palsy	500		303	375		12
Howard Scholarship	403		7,658	350		35
Lea Incentive				3,829		3,829
Title IV B	1,147			1,147		
89-313			3,400	2,881		519
94-142			39,800	33,671		6,129
Title I			28,834	25,245		3,589
95-561			651			651
518L	2,626			2,626		
95-561			680			680
343L	342			342		
94-142			2,418	454		1,964
94-482			7,944	7,944		
80-232			6,934	5,226		1,708
509L				1,350		
95-561	1,350		4,108	652		3,456
Library		65,766	50			
Trust Fund No. 1	1,003		897			1,900

**Town of West Bridgewater  
Cash Disbursements and Appropriation Accounts  
Year Ended June 30, 1981 (cont.)**

	Balance 7/1/80	Appropriation FY 6/30/81	Transfers Receipts	Expenditures	Balance To Revenue To 6/30/82
<b>SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES</b> <b>(CONTINUED):</b>					
Library—Trust Fund No. 2	\$ 421		\$ 353	\$ 659	\$ 115
Trust Fund No. 3	1,745		781	1,672	854
Curtis Fund	1,419			414	1,005
Principal	3,717			3,717	
Expansion—Revenue Sharing	2,000				2,000
<b>TOTAL SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES</b>	<u>143,296</u>	<u>3,261,828</u>	<u>571,059</u>	<u>3,649,951</u>	<u>5,690</u> <u>320,542</u>

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**RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED:**

By-Law Booklets		1,200		990	210
Cemetery Trust Fund			334	334	
Christmas Decorations		500	59	559	
Community Grant	5,000		2,500	7,500	
Drury Bell	474				474
Contributory Retirement		118,597		118,597	
Conservation		975		820	155
Council on Aging		5,465	310	5,775	
County Aid to Agriculture		100		100	
Council on Aging Grant	420		2,400	2,079	741
Energy Grants			138	138	

**Town of West Bridgewater  
Cash Disbursements and Appropriation Accounts  
Year Ended June 30, 1981 (cont.)**

Balance 7/1/80	Appropriation FY 6/30/80	Transfers Receipts	Expenditures	Balance To Revenue To 6/30/82
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**RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED:**

**CONTINUED:**

Historical	\$ 811	\$ 500	\$ 179	\$ 321	\$ 708
Historical Waterwheel Grant			103		
Historical Waterwheel	2,231			2,231	
Insurance-Casualty		54,532	54,532		
Insurance-Group		10,000	10,000		
Insurance-Group-Revenue Sharing		99,000	89,525		9,475 (1)
Insurance-Unemployment		19,000	\$ 19,218		
Land-Sullivan			2,000	1,000	1,000
Land Sale Expense-Legal		1,000	210		790
Memorial Field		1,000	959		41
Memorial and Veterans Day		500	568		
Tennis Courts		300	297		3
Town Reports		5,000	4,731		269
Recreation		5,440	5,433		7
Exchange			1,987		
1982 Appropriations-Revenue Sharing		182,685			182,685
1981 Energy Conservation-Town Hall Anti-Recession	5,880				5,880
TOTAL RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED:	14,816	505,794	10,014	325,634	13,712 191,278



**Town of West Bridgewater  
Cash Disbursements and Appropriation Accounts  
Year Ended June 30, 1981 (cont.)**

	Balance 7/1/80	Appropriation FY 6/30/81	Transfers Receipts	Expenditures	Balance To Revenue To 6/30/82
ENTERPRISE:					
Water		\$ 128,615		\$ 127,151	\$ 1,464
Security		1,450		1,330	120
Roof		2,000		1,200	800
Wells/Main	\$ 39,559			38,558	\$ 1,001
Fence		600		500	100
Land	12,000			12,000	
Cleaning	10,798			7,285	3,513
TOTAL ENTERPRISE	62,357	132,665		188,024	2,484
					4,514
TOTAL INTEREST AND MATURING					
DEBT		258,288		258,161	127
DEFERRED REVENUE:					
Investments	( 750,000)		12,195,000	12,045,000	( 600,000)
Tax Anticipation Notes			800,000	800,000	
1981 Warrants Payable				(326,811)	326,811
1980 Warrants Payable	225,300			225,300	
Refunds:					
Real Estate			15,772	15,772	
Personal Property			800	800	

**Town of West Bridgewater  
Cash Disbursements and Appropriation Accounts  
Year Ended June 30, 1981 (cont.)**

	Balance 7/1/80	Appropriation FY 6/30/81	Transfers Receipts	Expenditures	Balance To Revenue To 6/30/82
DEFERRED REVENUE					
CONTINUED:					
Tax Possession			\$ 380	\$ 380	
Motor Vehicle Excise-					
1978, 80, 81			4,887	4,887	
			19	19	
Estimated Receipts			66	66	
Water Lien			1,094,295	1,264,326	
Agency	170,031		406	406	
Meals Tax			1,286	1,286	
Old Colony Planning Council			29,967	29,567	\$ 400
State Recreation-1981			(1,351)		
State Recreation-1980	1,351		65,158	75,446	(10,288)
County Tax 1981			4,201		
County Tax 1980	(4,201)		912	729	18
Air Pollution-1981			232		
Air Pollution-1980	(232)		5,763		5,763
Special Education-1981			262		
Special Education-1980	(262)		8,005	7,963	42
Mosquito Control-1981			1,775		
Mosquito Control-1980	(1,775)				
Old Colony Water Pollution					
Control District	(18,903)		18,903		

**Town of West Bridgewater  
Cash Disbursements and Appropriation Accounts  
Year Ended June 30, 1981 (Cont.)**

	Balance 7/1/80	Appropriation FY 6/30/81	Transfers Receipts	Expenditures	Balance To Revenue To 6/30/82
DEFERRED REVENUE					
CONTINUED:					
County Hospital-1981			\$ 822		\$ 822
County Hospital-1980	\$ (3,499)		3,499		
Audit Municipal Account			6	6	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bills			992	992	
Retired Teachers			11,523	11,523	
Dog Licenses			3,079	2,603	476
Payroll Transfers			2,347,657	2,347,657	
TOTAL DEFERRED REVENUE	<u>(382,190)</u>		<u>16,614,316</u>	<u>16,507,917</u>	<u>(275,791)</u>

# **Town of West Bridgewater** **Summary of Cash Disbursements and Appropriations** **Year Ended June 30, 1981**

Account	Balance	Appropriation	Transfers		Expenditures		Balance	
	7/1/80	FY 6/30/81	Receipts				To Revenue	To 6/30/82
General Government	\$ 11,884	\$ 166,784	\$ 6,485	\$ 176,575	\$ 4,486	\$ 4,092		
Protection of Persons and Property	(44,730)	888,583	85,743	915,920	2,372	11,304		
Health and Sanitation	39,127	109,371		105,444	158	42,896		
Highway	39,376	354,648	50,484	332,788	49,698	62,022		
Public Welfare		30,305		38,170	2,135			
Schools and Libraries	143,296	3,261,828	571,059	3,649,951	5,690	320,542		
Recreation and Unclassified	14,816	505,794	10,014	325,634	13,712	191,278		
Enterprise	62,357	132,665		188,024	2,484	4,514		
Interest and Maturing Debt		258,288		258,161	127			
Deferred Revenue	( 382,190)		16,614,316	16,507,917		( 275,791)		
Total	<u>( \$116,064)</u>	<u>\$5,708,266</u>	<u>\$17,338,101</u>	<u>\$22,488,584</u>	<u>\$80,862</u>	<u>\$360,857</u>		
General Fund								
(1) Revenue Sharing	(\$165,821)	\$5,426,581	\$17,338,101	\$22,398,895	\$68,637	\$131,329		
(2) Anti-Recession	43,877	281,685		89,689	12,225	223,648		
	5,880					5,880		
	<u>( \$116,064)</u>	<u>\$5,708,266</u>	<u>\$17,338,101</u>	<u>\$22,488,584</u>	<u>\$80,862</u>	<u>\$360,857</u>		



**DEBT ACCOUNTS**  
**JUNE 30, 1981**

<b>Net Funded or Fixed Debt</b>	<b>\$1,360,000</b>
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**Serial Loans:**

Fiscal Year June 30,	Water	School	
1982	\$ 50,000	\$168,000	
1983	45,000	163,000	
1984	30,000	163,000	
1985	30,000	158,000	
1986	30,000	158,000	
1987	30,000	105,000	
1988	30,000	40,000	
1989	30,000	40,000	
1990	30,000		
1991	30,000		
1992	<u>30,000</u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
<b>Totals</b>	<u><b>\$365,000</b></u>	<u><b>\$995,000</b></u>	<u><b>\$1,360,000</b></u>

**BALANCE SHEET  
FEDERAL FUNDS  
JUNE 30, 1981**

<b>Assets:</b>	<b>Revenue Sharing</b>	<b>Anti Recession</b>	<b>Total</b>
Cash	\$ (2,660)	\$5,880	\$ 3,220
Investments	<u>252,243</u>	<u>          </u>	<u>252,243</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<u>\$249,583</u>	<u>\$5,880</u>	<u>\$255,463</u>
<b>Liabilities and Fund Balances:</b>			
Unexpended Appropriations	\$ 40,963	\$5,880	\$ 46,843
Appropriation Control 1982	<u>182,685</u>	<u>          </u>	<u>182,685</u>
Total	223,648	5,880	229,528
Fund Balance	<u>25,935</u>	<u>          </u>	<u>25,935</u>
<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>	<u>\$249,583</u>	<u>\$5,880</u>	<u>\$255,463</u>

**ANALYSIS OF FUND BALANCES  
FEDERAL FUNDS  
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1981**

	<b>Revenue Sharing</b>	<b>Anti Recession</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Balance July 1, 1980</b>	\$ 97,363	\$5,880	\$103,243
<b>Receipts:</b>			
U.S. Government	61,387		61,387
Interest earned	37,645		37,645
Excess of appropriation over expenditures	<u>12,225</u>	<u>          </u>	<u>12,225</u>
Total	<u>208,620</u>	<u>5,880</u>	<u>214,500</u>
<b>Appropriated:</b>			
Street Lights	31,300		31,300
Group Insurance	109,000		109,000
Insurance Casualty	<u>42,385</u>	<u>          </u>	<u>42,385</u>
Total	<u>182,685</u>	<u>          </u>	<u>182,685</u>
<b>Balance June 30, 1981</b>	<u>\$ 25,935</u>	<u>\$5,880</u>	<u>\$ 31,815</u>

**BALANCE SHEET**  
**TRUST AND INVESTMENT FUNDS**  
**JUNE 30, 1981**

**Trust and Investment Funds:**

Cash and Securities	<u>\$80,095</u>
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<b>Total</b>	<b>\$80,095</b>
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**Fund Balances (Schedule E-1)**

Stabilization Fund	\$16,582
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Library Funds	44,043
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W.J. & A.C. Howard Scholarship Fund	5,200
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Drury Bell Scholarship	100
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Cemetary Perpetual Care Funds	<u>14,170</u>
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<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$80,095</u></b>
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**SUMMARY OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
TRUST AND INVESTMENT FUNDS  
JUNE 30, 1981**

	<b>Balance 7/1/80</b>	<b>Interest</b>	<b>Withdrawals</b>	<b>Balance 6/30/81</b>
Stabilization Fund	\$15,523	\$1,059		\$16,582
Library Funds	43,516	2,558	\$2,031	44,043
W.J. & A.C. Howard Scholarship Fund	5,200	302	302	5,200
Drury Bell Scholarship	100			100
Cemetary Perpetual Care Funds	<u>14,024</u>	<u>480</u>	<u>334</u>	<u>14,170</u>
<b>Totals</b>	<u>\$78,363</u>	<u>\$4,399</u>	<u>\$2,667</u>	<u>\$80,095</u>

# Town of West Bridgewater Schedule of Taxes and Water Rates for the Year Ended June 30, 1981

	Uncollected Taxes July 1, 1980	Abatements, Refunds and Commitments Adjustments	Less Transfers to Tax Title Account	Less Collections	Uncollected Taxes June 30, 1981	Uncollected Taxes Per Detail Lists June 30, 1981
Real Estate:						
1979	\$ 16,743		\$11,140	\$ 81,146	\$ 5,603	\$ 5,603
1980	151,242	\$ 1,475	41,481	\$ 81,146	30,090	30,090
1981		\$3,514,174	41,858	3,298,029	129,723	129,723
		3,985	2,161	2,842	3,304	3,304
Deferred	<u>\$167,985</u>	<u>\$3,518,159</u>	<u>\$94,479</u>	<u>\$3,382,017</u>	<u>\$168,720</u>	<u>\$168,720</u>
Personal Property:						
1977	\$ 540	( \$ 220)		\$ 320	\$ 320	\$ 320
1978	935	( 371)		564	564	564
1979	4,186	( 2,292)		1,894	1,894	1,894
1980	2,042	( 745)		1,24	1,173	1,173
1981		\$112,866	780	111,150	2,496	2,496
	<u>\$ 7,703</u>	<u>\$112,866</u>	<u>( \$ 2,848)</u>	<u>\$ 111,274</u>	<u>\$ 6,447</u>	<u>\$ 6,447</u>
Motor Vehicle Excise:						
1977	\$ 3,423	( \$ 3,423)		\$ 31	\$ 9,155	\$ 9,155
1978	9,186			3,330	15,629	15,629
1979	19,103	( 144)		100,860	38,217	38,217
1980	76,676	\$ 69,054	( 6,653)			

**Town of West Bridgewater  
Schedule of Taxes and Water Rates  
for the Year Ended June 30, 1981 (cont.)**

Uncollected Taxes July 1, 1980	Abatements, Refunds and Commitments Adjustments	Less Transfers to Tax Title Account	Less Collections	Uncollected Taxes June 30, 1981	Uncollected Taxes Per Detail Lists June 30, 1981
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**Motor Vehicle Excise:**

(cont.)					
1981	<u>\$108,388</u>	<u>\$ 144,561</u>	<u>(\$ 5,737)</u>	<u>\$ 108,320</u>	<u>\$ 30,504</u>
		<u>\$ 213,615</u>	<u>(\$15,957)</u>	<u>\$ 212,541</u>	<u>\$ 93,505</u>
					<u>\$ 30,504</u>
					<u>\$ 93,505</u>

**Farm Animal Excise:**

1978	\$ 25		(\$ 25)		\$ 100	\$ 100
1979	100				391	391
1980	<u>1,134</u>				<u>743</u>	<u>391</u>
	<u>\$ 1,259</u>		<u>(\$ 25)</u>		<u>\$ 743</u>	<u>\$ 491</u>
						<u>\$ 491</u>

Outstanding July 1, 1980	Abatements, Refunds and Commitments Adjustments	Less Collections	Outstanding June 30, 1981	Outstanding Per Detail June 30, 1981
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Water Rates and Services	\$ 22,551	\$ 99,303	\$ 9	\$ 803	\$ 96,383	\$ 24,677
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NOTE: In accordance with the requirements of the Massachusetts Bureau of Accounts, summarized below are the significant auditing procedures applied to taxes and water rates. The commitments were compared to and found to be in agreement with the Assessors' and Water Department records; abatements and adjustments were tested by reference to supporting documentation and Assessors' records; collections

**Town of West Bridgewater  
Schedule of Taxes and Water Rates  
for the Year Ended June 30, 1981 (cont.)**

were compared to and found to be in agreement with both the Treasurer's and Accountant's records; the tax titles were compared with the records of the Treasurer, Accountant, and the Registry of Deeds; and requests for confirmation of uncollected taxes and water rates as of June 30, 1981 were mailed directly to certain taxpayers on a test basis. Also, the reconciliements of the uncollected taxes and water rates as of June 30, 1981 per the collector's commitment books to the Accountant's general ledger were tested and no significant differences were noted.



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## Office Hours for Town Offices

Assessors	Daily 8:30 — 12:00, 1:00 — 4:30 1st & 3rd Wednesday Evening, 7:00 — 9:00
Board of Health	1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 — 9:00 p.m.
Planning Board	1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 — 9:00 p.m.
Selectmen	Daily 8:30 — 4:30 p.m. Reg. Meetings—Monday 7:00 — 9:00 p.m.
Tax Collector & Treasurer	Daily 9:00 — 4:30 p.m. 1st & 3rd Wednesday Eve., 7:00 — 9:00 p.m.
Town Clerk	Daily 9—12, 1—4:30 p.m. 1st & 3rd Wednesday Eve., 7:00 — 9:00 p.m.
Veterans' Services	Daily 9:00 — 12:00 a.m.
Water Department	1st & 3rd Wednesday Eve., 7:30 — 9:00 p.m.







## TELEPHONE NUMBERS

SELECTMEN'S ..... 586-1394

### CONNECTING ALL TOWN OFFICES:

588-4820 ..... 588-4854

ASSESSOR'S ..... 588-6740

WATER DEPARTMENT ..... 583-0813

### FIRE DEPARTMENT:

ONLY in case of fire — call ..... 586-3232  
(Give Name, Address and Type of Fire)

For Permits to Burn — call ..... 586-4137

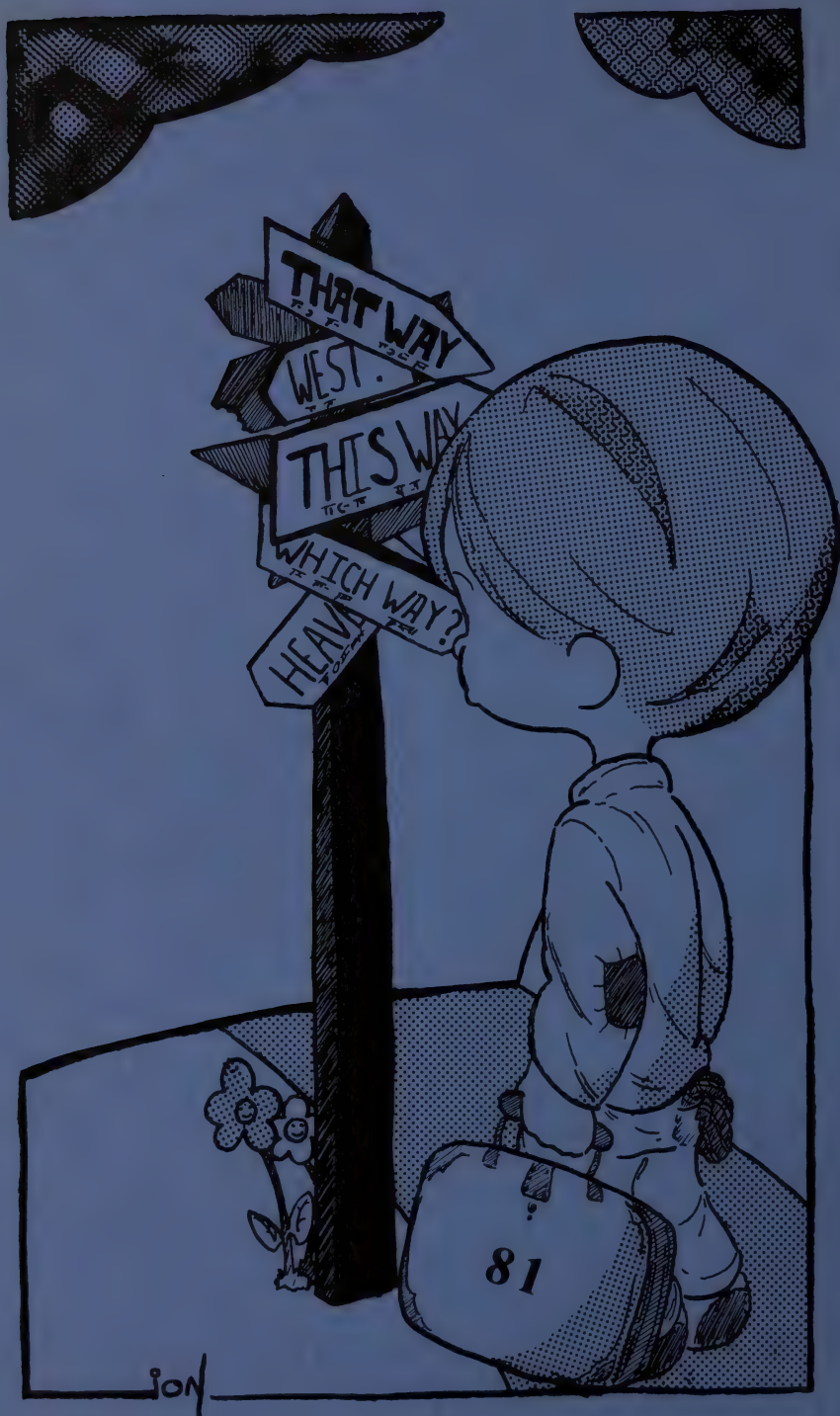
FOR AMBULANCE SERVICE ..... 586-3232

### POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Call this number — day or night ..... 586-2525

DOG OFFICER ..... 587-6164

# WEST BRIDGE WATER



TOWN REPORT

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WEST BRIDGE WATER

# West 1982 Bridgewater Town Report







***THIS ANNUAL REPORT  
IS DEDICATED TO:***

**IRVING G. SYLVESTER  
HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT  
March 21, 1966 - May, 1982**

**JOSEPH F. McCANN  
TREASURER-COLLECTOR  
March 26, 1973 - April 21, 1982  
TAX COLLECTOR  
March 13, 1971**

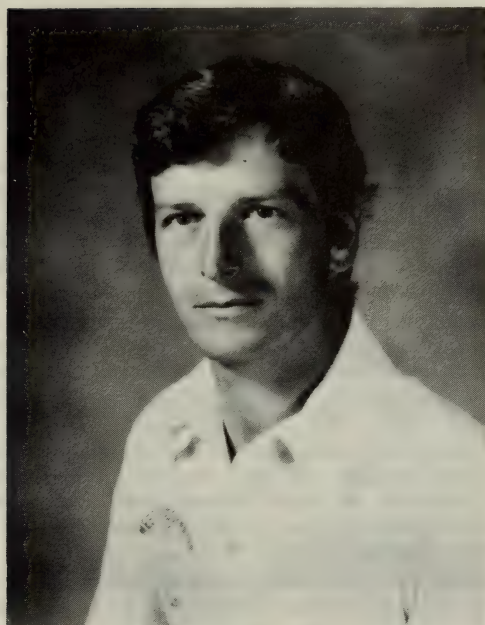
***WHO SERVED OUR TOWN  
IN AN EXEMPLARY MANNER.***

*In Memoriam*

**HENRY KOROTSKY**  
**FINANCE COMMITTEE,**  
**1977 - 1980**

**JOHN E. SEAGER**  
**BOARD OF REGISTRARS,**  
**Feb. 3, 1943 - April 18, 1970**

# *In Memoriam*



## **ROBERT M. DWYER**

**August 14, 1951 - December 25, 1982**

*“Teacher, Coach, Friend”*

### **A PRAYER FOR BOBBY**

Where there is hatred,  
Let us sow love  
Where there is injury,  
Pardon  
Where there is doubt,  
Faith  
Where there is despair,  
Hope  
Where there is darkness,  
Light  
Where there is sadness,  
Joy



*I find it hard to feel any joy in light of the sadness we're experiencing today because we all love Bobby Dwyer. We love him for many reasons and we each have our own memories. But all of us share the memories of his courage. I remember his courage as a senior in high school. We played a basketball game at Norwell. There was very little time left in regulation play. His teammates were in foul trouble. I said, "Bobby, we need you. Can you play the wing in a zone press?" I knew he hadn't practiced that position. His answer to me was, "Coach, I know every position." He made two foul shots with no time remaining to send the game into overtime.*

*This success was a minor test of courage compared to that test to which he was called during the last three years - a test that few, if any of us, will be called upon to face. This was an example of the way Bobby lived. Whenever he was faced with insurmountable odds, he rose above them.*

*Bobby performed above and beyond expectations - in football, basketball, and baseball - and as a result of his contributions to his school as a student, an annual coaches award was created in 1969. This award is given each year to the graduate who best exemplifies the character of Bobby Dwyer.*

*The foundation of this courage has been respect. Bobby exemplified the meaning of the word respect. He had respect for every human being he came into contact with - his friends, his colleagues, his family, his students.*

*Bobby was truly a teacher in that teaching is awakening - awakening each student to the meaning of life, to individual purpose in living, to perception of self and to dignity of humanity. And teaching is guiding, guiding each student through the process of growing up by accepting disappointments, appreciating success, coping with problems, recognizing value of self, and setting worthwhile goals.*

*None of this can be accomplished without love. Bobby's life was a statement of love. His love for his students was exemplified by his presence as coach of the football team this fall and particularly on Thanksgiving Day. His love for his family - his mother Mary, his father Bob, Sr., his brother Mark, and his sister Kathy, was seen in his everyday attention and devotion to them and to his wife Nancy and to their sons, Jimmy and David. It was seen in his pride in their accomplishments and in his joy and appreciation in being son, brother, husband, and father to his wonderful family.*

*Bobby, from your life we have learned of courage, respect, and love. In your few short years, you have taught us how to live with meaning and how to die with dignity. And though your life on earth has ended, your spirit lives on in the hearts and minds of all of us. Thank you, Bobby. Thank you for sharing your life with us.*

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**TOWN OFFICERS and COMMITTEES**  
**OF THE TOWN OF**  
**WEST BRIDGEWATER**

**For the Year Ending**  
**December 31, 1982**

# STATISTICS

## Of the Town of West Bridgewater

1970-Federal Census-7152

1980-Town Census-6536

Total Registered Voters – 3604

### PRECINCT 1

Republican 503

Democrat 418

Unenrolled 779

### PRECINCT 2

Republican 481

Democrat 440

Unenrolled 983

Number of Residences – 1988

Area of Town – 15.75 Square Miles

59.33 Miles of Water Mains

Local Road Mileage 62

### COUNCILLOR – FIRST DISTRICT

John Britland

### SENATOR – 2nd PLYMOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT

Edward P. Kirby

### REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT 10th PLYMOUTH DISTRICT

Michael C. Creedon

### REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS 11th CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Brian Donnelly  
Margaret Heckler

Town Meeting – April 11

1983

Town Election – April 16

# Town Officers for 1982

## MODERATOR

	Elected	Term Expires
Charles L. Hill	1982	1983

## TOWN CLERK

	Elected	Term Expires
Anna E. Brown	1982	1985

## SELECTMEN

	Elected	Term Expires
Doris Haight	1980	1983
Eldon F. Moreira	1981	1984
Charles H. Johnson	1982	1985

## ASSESSORS

	Elected	Term Expires
DeSales J. Heath	1980	1983
Sherwood W. Jackson	1981	1984
Gary A. Boyd	1982	1985

## TREASURER/COLLECTOR

	Elected	Term Expires
Elizabeth L. Zamaitis	Appt. 1982	1983

## TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

	Elected	Term Expires
Barbara Perkins	1980	1983
Hillary Murray	1982	1983
Bruce Edson	1982	1983
Robert Wayne Legge	1981	1984
Michael Manugian	1982	1985
Helen Millett	1982	1985

## REGIONAL-VOCATIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

	Elected	Term Expires
Eugene Kostecki	1981	1984



## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

	Elected	Term Expires
Patricia R. Alger	1980	1983
Thomas F. Kelley	1980	1983
Leo Cronin	1981	1984
Joseph L. McMorrow, Sr.	1981	1984
Robert S. Bourne	1982	1985
Betty Alden Miller	1982	1985

## WATER COMMISSIONERS

	Elected	Term Expires
Donald N. Davock	1980	1983
John W. Noyes	1981	1984
Edward G. Asack	1982	1985

## TREE WARDEN

	Elected	Term Expires
Thomas B. MacQuinn	1980	1983

## CONSTABLES

	Elected	Term Expires
Edwin T. Gibson	1980	1983
Raymond L. Silva	1980	1983

## BOARD OF HEALTH

	Elected	Term Expires
Judith A. Kinney	1982	1983
Ronald C. Broman	1981	1984
Edward F. Cruz	1982	1985

## PLANNING BOARD

	Elected	Term Expires
William E. Turner, Jr.	1978	1983
Donald G. Asack	1979	1984
Howard Anderson	1980	1985
D. Christopher Cross	1981	1986
Wilfred Howard	1982	1987

## HOUSING AUTHORITY

	Elected	Term Expires
Armen Amerigan (By State)	1979	1983
Richard C. Williams	1979	1984
Carl R. Bystrom	1980	1985
Robert Kellie	1981	1986
Albert Greiner	1982	1987

## **Officers Appointed by the Selectmen**

### **SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS**

Donald E. Newman

### **TOWN ACCOUNTANT**

Arthur E. Chaves

### **CHIEF OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Ervin G. Lothrop

### **CHIEF OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Charles A. Dyke

### **SUPERINTENDENT OF PEST CONTROL, 3 Years**

Thomas B. MacQuinn

### **FOREST FIRE WARDEN**

Edwin T. Gibson

### **SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES**

Warren E. Turner

### **DEPUTY SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES**

Warren E. Turner

### **DOG OFFICER**

Julie Vivace

### **ASSISTANT DOG OFFICER**

Thomas Vivace

### **VETERAN'S BURIAL AGENT**

Armen Amerigian

### **CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR**

Michael Manugian

### **DEPUTY CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR**

Ronald P. Snell

### **PLUMBING AND GAS INSPECTOR**

Joseph Donavan

### **TOWN COUNSEL**

J. Joseph Lydon

### **CONFIDENTIAL SECRETARY**

Artemis Bucci

## REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

	Appointed	Term Expires
Edward M. Pingree	1980	1983
Lance R. Ohlson	1981	1984
Francis J. Boyd	1982	1985

## INSPECTOR OF WIRES

Albert Greiner

## TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

Thomas B. MacQuinn

Richard E. Norris

## INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

John Pires

## MEMORIAL FIELD COMMITTEE

Charles Hill

William R. Brown

Thomas Roulstone

## HERRING WARDEN

Philip C. Tuck

## DEPUTY HERRING WARDENS

Thomas B. MacQuinn

Joseph Souza

## LOCKUP KEEPER

Walter Thayer

## ADMINISTRATOR OF INSURANCE

Eldon F. Moreira

John Drinkwater

## BUILDING BOARD OF APPEALS

	Appointed	Term Expires
Diana Lothrop	1980	1982
Henry Podolsky	1980	1983
Harry G. Pierson, Jr.	1981	1984
George O. Merritt	1981	1984
William E. Turner, Jr.	1982	1985
Associate members:		
Harry Ketler	1982	1985
Robert Miskinis	1980	1983

## BROCKTON MULTI HEALTH SERVICES, INC.

Madeline F. Kipper

# INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

	Term Expires
George V. Hollertz, Jr.	1983
<i>Vacancy</i>	1984
Leon Beaulieu	1985
Donald L. MacIver	1986
Frank Miller	1987

## ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

	Term Expires
Robert W. Bowman	1983
Charles Higgins	1984
Carl R. Bystrom	1985

## INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FINANCE AUTHORITY

	Term Expires
Robert L. Smith	1983
Madelyn T. Burke	1984
Donald L. MacIver	1985
Raymond E. Chace	1986
Joseph L. McMorrow, Sr.	1987

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

	Appointed	Term Expires
John Dacey	1980	1983
Hugh Hurley	1981	1983
Thomas J. Driscoll	1981	1984
<i>Vacancy</i>		1984
Howard M. Hayward	1981	1984
Linda Greene	1982	1985
Grete M. Bohannon	1982	1985

## BY-LAW STUDY COMMITTEE

	Appointed	Term Expires
Grete Bohannon	1981	1984
Donald Kennedy	1981	1984
Roger A. Coelho	1981	1985
Paul Calandria	1982	1985
Stewart Young	1982	1985



## RECREATION COMMISSION

	Appointed	Term Expires
Carmella Preston	1978	1983
Ethel Fisher	1979	1984
Joseph G. Gareri	1980	1985
Mary Lou Jenness	1981	1986

## COUNCIL ON AGING

	Appointed	Term Expires
David Cohen	1981	1982
Susan Puffer	1980	1983
Lloyd A. Sears	1980	1983
Winifred Manzer	1981	1983
Elmer W. Walker	1981	1983
Kenneth Hollis	1981	1984
Kathleen Fenstermaker	1981	1984
Samuel Feinberg	1981	1984
Majorie MacDonald	1981	1984
Virginia Michael	1982	1985
Beth Burgess	1982	1985
Eileen Bean	1982	1985

## MEMORIAL AND VETERANS' DAY COMMITTEE

William R. Brown, Sr.	Emmet Miller
Francis Boyd	Alfred Luce

## HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

	Appointed	Term Expires
Jessie Anderson	1980	1983
Marjorie MacDonald	1980	1983
Anne Gillis	1981	1984
Francis Beary	1982	1985
<i>Vacancy</i>	1982	1985

## REPRESENTATIVE TO SELF-HELP INC.

Charles Baker

## OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL, 3 Years

	Appointed	Term Expires
Merton Ouderkirk	1980	1983
Doris Haight, Alternate	1981	1984

## OLD COLONY ELDERLY SERVICES

Beth Burgess

OLD COLONY OVERALL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
PROGRAM REPRESENTATIVE

George V. Hollertz, Jr.

OCPC AREA AGENCY ON AGING

William R. Brown, Sr.

Kenneth Hollis, Alternate

CETA DESIGNEE

Doris Haight

TENNIS COMMITTEE

Donald A. Fisher

Nancy M. Pettinelli

Frank Miller

Marlene A. Howell

Marianne Lorrain

DRURY BELL COMMITTEE

Marjorie E. MacDonald

Doris Haight

Charles H. Johnson

Eldon F. Moreira

Michael Manugian

PLYMOUTH COUNTY ADVISORY BUDGET DESIGNEE

Doris Haight

ARTS LOTTERY COUNCIL

Roland Nadeau

Ruth D'Ambrosio

Patrick B. Bell

Joseph Linehan

Ted Nysrom

Lorraine A. Piver

CUSTODIANS OF THE HERITAGE TIME CAPSULE

	Appointed	Term Expires
Austin Cole	1980	1983
Marjorie MacDonald	1981	1984
Kenneth Turner	1982	1985

FENCE VIEWERS

Judith Kinney

Marilyn Raleigh

Hugh Hurley

DATA PROCESSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Patricia A. Cheromcka

Lawrence Conant

William R. Brown, Jr

Everett B. Tufts

BROCKTON AREA MENTAL HEALTH & RETARDATION  
REPRESENTATIVES

Walter R. Olson

Phyllis Olson

MULTI-HEALTH SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE

Madeline F. Kipper

**HAZARDOUS WASTE COORDINATOR**

Nancy Hand

**FIELD DRIVERS**

Lance Anderson

Julie Vivace

George Richardson

**CHRISTMAS DECORATING COMMITTEE**

Judith Kinney

John E. Burnham, Jr.

**CABLE TELEVISION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Ronald Byrnes

Robert Kwash

Joseph Souza

Peter McPhail

Harold Ketler

Bruce Soderholm

Warren Turner

**Appointments by  
Board of Health**

**INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS**

Leo F. Moroni

**BOARD OF HEALTH PHYSICIAN**

Dr. Joseph F. Calitri

**BURIAL AGENT**

Anna E. Brown

**Appointments by  
Chief of Fire Department**

**DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF**

Leonard T. Hunt

**DEPUTY FIRE WARDENS**

Paul R. Lanoue

Leonard T. Hunt

Richard W. Gibson

Thomas B. MacQuinn

Allen A. Breer

Clinton Howard

Irving G. Sylvester

# Appointments by Moderator

## COMMITTEE TO APPOINT A FINANCE COMMITTEE

Warren E. Turner

Kathleen Fenstermaker

Michael Managian

Paul Sheedy

Henry Bishop

## STREET LIGHTING COMMITTEE

John B. Sillars

Arthur Steptoe

Donald A. Seablom

Raymond L. Silva

John Daly

James F. Purpua

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

	Appointed	Term Expires
H. Page Conant	1980	1983
Robert L. Smith	1980	1983
Frederick A. McPeck	1980	1983
Marion Loughman	1981	1984
Neil R. Manzer	1981	1984
Joanne M. Kelley	1982	1984
Barbara Ginn	1982	1985
James B. Howell	1982	1985
David F. Meade, Jr.	1982	1985



# TOWN CLERK REPORT

## Special Town Meeting February 23, 1982

Under Warrant issued by the Board of Selectmen and dated February 9, 1982 Special Town Meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk, Anna E. Brown in the absence of the Moderator, at 7:30 p.m. Lawrence Conant was nominated and elected Moderator Pro Tem.

The reading of the warrant was dispensed with, there being no objections. 65 voters were present.

The meeting proceeded as follows:

*Article 1. Moved:* The sum of \$11,130.00 be appropriated and transferred from E. & D. to be expended to meet negotiated increases for employees in the Fire Department for Fiscal 1982.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

*Article 2. Moved:* The sum of \$4,887.00 be appropriated and transferred from E. & D. to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to demolish the Sunset Avenue School and bring the property to grade.

Upon vote motion carried.

*Article 3. Moved:* The Town vote to authorize the Division of lots 2, 3, 4, Assessors' Map E5, known as the Sunset Avenue School Property into two separate lots, notwithstanding the provisions of Article XXVI, Section 7 of the Zoning By Laws and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell the lots at Public Auction.

Voted to amend by adding after the words "Zoning By Laws" and retain access.

Upon vote motion as amended carried.

*Article 4. Moved:* The sum of \$10,000.00 be appropriated and transferred from E. & D. to meet expenses of the Veterans Agent budget .

Upon vote motion carried.

*Article 5. Moved:* The sum of \$20,000.00 be appropriated and transferred from available funds to be expended by the Town Treasurer to finance bonds and interest costs as authorized under Article 2, 1981 Town Meeting.

Upon vote motion carried.

Motion made to adjourn. So voted.

Meeting adjourned at 9 p.m.

A true copy,  
Anna E. Brown,  
Town Clerk

# Annual Town Election

## April 17, 1982

The Annual Town Election was held at the Spring Street school on Saturday, April 17, 1982. The Warrant issued by the Selectmen was posted by the Constable, Edwin T. Gibson, on April 5, 1982 in accordance with the provisions of the Town By-Laws.

Specimen ballots, card of instructions and abstracts of the laws imposing penalties upon voters were posted as required by the laws of the Commonwealth.

The polls were opened at 9 a.m. The ballot boxes in both precincts were inspected and the registers set at 00000. A total of 2600 ballots were given to the warden John Sillars, and receipts given to the Town Clerk for the same.

At the close of the polls at 8 p.m. the ballot box registers showed the following number of ballots cast:

Precinct 1	432
Precinct 2	531
Total	963

The following workers were sworn in:

**Precinct 1:** Edythe Baker, Clerk; Natalie Beaulieu, Joan Ohlson, Patricia Berry, Janet Merritt, Checkers: Helen Souza, Marie Murrery, Catherine Chaves, Joyce Nystrom, Counters and Observers; Dorothy William, Claire Davock, Total Tally.

**Precinct II** John Sillars, Warden; Warren E. Turner, Clerk: Coralee Travers, Shirley Almquist, Paul Turner, Janet Carlson, Checkers; Lois Ketler, Ann Long, Carolyn Boyd, Alice Richardson, Elizabeth Turner, Margaret Baker, Counters and Observers; William R. Brown, Jr., Joseph Souza, Total Tally.

The Results were declared as follows:

	I	II	Total
<b>MODERATOR, 1 year</b>			
Charles L. Hill	358	429	787
Blanks	74	102	176
<b>TOWN CLERK, 3 years</b>			
Anna E. Brown	373	446	819
Blanks	59	85	144
<b>SELECTMEN, 3 years</b>			
Charles H. Johnson	342	410	752
Scattered		1	1
Blanks	90	120	210
<b>ASSESSORS, 3 years</b>			
Gary A. Boyd	328	401	729
Blanks	104	130	234

# TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY, 3 years

Helen S. Millet	317	372	689
Michael Manugian	280	343	623
Scattered		1	1
Blanks	267	346	613

# SCHOOL COMMITTEE, 3 years

Betty Alden Miller	289	317	606
Robert S. Bourne	269	357	626
Paul L. Lamoureux	155	174	329
Blanks	151	214	365

# WATER COMMISSIONERS, 3 years

Edward G. Asack	362	432	794
Scattered	1		1
Blanks	69	99	168

# BOARD OF HEALTH, 3 years

Edward F. Cruz	324	390	714
Scattered	1		1
Blanks	107	141	248

# BOARD OF HEALTH, 1 year

Judith A. Kinney	350	428	778
Blanks	82	103	185

# PLANNING BOARD, 5 years

Wilfred G. Howard	336	389	725
Blanks	96	142	238

# HOUSING AUTHORITY, 5 years

Albert N. Greiner	330	387	717
Blanks	102	144	246

# QUESTION No. 1 – Public Works

Yes	86	121	207
No	333	394	727
Blanks	13	16	29

# QUESTION No. 2 – Nuclear Freeze

Yes	290	355	645
No	110	127	237
Blanks	32	49	81

A True Copy,  
Anna E. Brown,  
Town Clerk

## Special Town Meeting June 14, 1982

A meeting of which the inhabitants of the Town of West Bridgewater qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs were notified and warn by Warrant issued by the Selectmen and posted by the Constable, Edwin T. Gibson, on May 28, 1982 was held at the Jr. – Sr. High School Auditorium on June 14, 1982. Meeting was called to order at 7:20 p.m. by Charles L. Hill moderator.

The reading of the warrant was dispensed with, there being no objections.

*Article 1. Voted Unanimously:* The sum of \$21,092.00 no trade be raised and appropriated and transferred from E. & D. to be expended by the Board of Selectmen for the purchase and equipping of two (2) 1982 Sedan type cruisers for the police department and to authorize and empower the Board of Selectmen to dispose of two, 1980 Cruisers in the best interest of the Town.

*Article 2. Voted Unanimously:* The sum of \$13,000.00 be raised and appropriated and transferred from E. & D. to pay Fire Department operating costs for Fiscal 1981 – 1982.

*Article 3. Voted Unanimously:* The sum of \$10,00.00 be transferred from E. & D. to pay Police Department operating costs for Fiscal 1981 – 1982.

Move to adjourn the Special Town Meeting. So voted.

A true copy,  
Anna E. Brown,  
Town Clerk

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150 voters checked in.

Meeting proceeded as follows:

*Article 1. Voted:* The reports of all Town Officers and Committees be accepted as printed in the 1981 Town Report.



*Article 2. Voted Unanimously:* That the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow in the anticipation of the revenue of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1982 in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

*Article 3. Voted Unanimously:* The Board of Selectmen be authorized to enter into a contract or contracts with the Department of Public Works and the County Commissioners for the construction and maintenance of Public Highways for the Fiscal year beginning July 1, 1982

*Article 4. Moved:* To accept the Flood Plain District By-Law as printed.

To amend its by-laws by adopting a new section entitled

*Article IXXXVII – Flood Plain District By-Law.*

## Section 1. PURPOSES

1.1 The purposes of the Flood Plain District are to protect the public health, safety, and general welfare, to protect human life and property from the hazards of periodic flooding, to preserve the natural flood control characteristics, and the flood storage capacity of the flood plain, and to preserve and maintain the ground water table and water recharge areas within the flood plain.

## Section 2 DISTRICT BOUNDARIES

2.1 The Flood Plain District is defined as all areas of special flood hazard identified as Zone A, A1-30 in the Flood Insurance Study for the Town of West Bridgewater, dated December 15, 1981 on the accompanying Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) and on the Flood Boundary Floodway Maps (FBFM) effective June 15, 1982.

2.2 The Maps and Study are incorporated herein by reference and are on file with the Town Clerk, Planning Board, Building Inspector and the Conservation Commission.

## Section 3. USE REGULATIONS

3.1 The Flood Plain District is established as an overlay district to all other Zoning By-Law Districts. The underlying permitted uses and the regulations of the Zoning Bylaw are allowed provided they meet the following additional requirements and those of the Massachusetts State Building Code pertaining to construction in flood plains.

3.2 In the floodway, and designated on the FBFM, the following provisions shall apply:

(1) All encroachments, including fill, new construction, substantial improvements to existing structures, and other developments are prohibited unless certification by a registered professional engineer or architect is provided by the applicant demonstrating that such encroachment shall not result in any increase in flood levels during the occurrence of the 100-year flood.

(2) Any encroachment meeting the above standard shall comply with the flood plain requirements of the State Building Code.

3.3 The following requirements shall apply in the Flood Plain District:

- (1) Within Zone A, where the base flood elevation is provided on the FIRM, the applicant shall obtain any existing base flood elevation data and it shall be reviewed by the Planning Board and the Building Inspector for its reasonable utilization toward meeting the elevation or flood proofing requirements, as appropriate, of the State Building Code.
- (2) The placement of mobile homes or trailers within this District shall not be allowed.

Upon a counted vote of Yes – 100, No – Motion carried.

*Article 5. Voted Unanimously* to transfer the sum of \$1970.50 from the County Dog Fund and the sum of \$3,179.50 from the Library State Aid Account to the Library Expense Account.

*Article 6. Voted Unanimously* the salary of the following elected Town Officials for the Fiscal year beginning July 1, 1982 be set at:

Moderator	\$ 150.00	Tree Warden	\$20,510.00
Selectmen	4,262.00	Assessors	4,974.00
Town Clerk	13,532.00	Water Commissioners	2,976.00
Treasurer/Collector	18,763.00	Board of Health	1,114.00

The following committees to serve without pay:

Library Trustees, School Committee, Planning Board.

*Article 7.* To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town Charges for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1982.

**Moved:** the Town appropriate \$5,076,270.00 to defray town charges as recommended by the Finance Committee in their report. Said sum of \$5,076,270.00 to be appropriated by salary and expense totals as printed and to meet such expenditures as follows:

From Revenue Sharing:	Unemployment Compensation	\$ 32,000.00
	Street Lights	35,000.00
	Contributory Retirement	40,000.00
	Insurance Casualty	54,532.00
	Group Insurance	135,000.00
From Water Revenue:	Water Department	\$135,000.00
	Water Bonds	5,000.00

and Library account reduced by Library State Aid \$3,179.50 and County Dog Fund \$1,970.50.

Out of State travel \$1,000.00

Amendment made to appropriate \$5,000.00 for Mosquito Spraying in the Board of Health Budget said sum to be transferred from Finance Committee Reserve fund.

Motion on Amendment carried

Amendment made to delete the sum of \$2,800.00 for Assistance Dog Officer from the Dog Officer Budget.

Upon vote amendment lost.

Motion made to amend Fire Department budget to add \$45,000.00 to that budget for rehiring of two Firefighters – EMT's and maintaining of two firefighters – EMT's on a shift 24 hours per day. \$30,000.00 to be added to Permanent Fire Fighters account and \$15,000.00 to overtime account.

Said sum to come from:

- \$2,000.00 from Law Counsel
- 1,000.00 from Election Officers
- 5,000.00 from Insurance Group
- 5,000.00 from State Unemployment
- 5,000.00 from Street Lights
- 17,000.00 from Town Schools
- 10,000.00 from E. & D. Account

or take any action therefore.

Upon vote this amendment lost.

Upon vote on original motion, carried.

The following budget was then read and approved:

Moderator	150.00
Finance Committee	100.00
Selectmen	25,015.00
Accountant	8,943.00
Treasurer-Collector	45,891.00
Assessors	17,195.00
Law	13,500.00
Town Clerk	17,072.00
Election and Registration	8,610.00
Town Hall	20,539.00
Police	479,647.00
Fire Department and Station	191,647.00
Tree Warden and Parks	61,613.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	767.00
Inspector of Wires	1,160.00
Inspector of Buildings	14,063.00
Inspector of Gas and Plumbing	2,025.00
Dog Officer	17,564.00
Civil Defense	393.00
Planning Board	2,075.00
Board of Appeals	800.00
Conservation Commission	750.00
Board of Health	99,793.00
Highway	203,460.00
Veterans Services	25,493.00
Town Schools	2,816,761.00
Southeastern Regional-Vocational	70,578.00
Library (Includes State Amount and Dog Fund)	54,909.00
Industrial Development	50.00
Industrial Development Finance Authority	100.00
Water Department	135,351.00
Recreation	3,750.00



Council on Aging	6,765.00
Street Lights	35,000.00
Contributory Retirement	132,992.00
Memorial and Veterans Day	300.00
Town Reports	5,000.00
Christmas Decorations	150.00
Reserve Fund	30,000.00
Insurance Casualty	54,532.00
Insurance Group	135,000.00
Memorial Field	500.00
County Aid Agriculture	100.00
Tennis Courts	200.00
Historical Commission	500.00
Multi Health Service	3,936.00
Engineering Service	1,000.00
State Unemployment Insurance	32,000.00
Bonds and Interest	298,530.00

*Article 8, Voted Unanimously* to authorize the School Committee to maintain a State-Aided Vocational Program in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 74, General Laws, as amended and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,200.00.

*Article 9. Voted Unanimously* the sum of \$5,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Tax Collector for the purposes of employing counsel and paying of fees for taking and disposing of Tax Title Properties.

*Article 10. Voted:* The sum of \$37,759.00 be raised and appropriated to meet the Town's share of \$9,440.00 from taxation and the State share of \$28,319.00 transferred from E. & D. Account.

*Article 11. Voted* to pass article without action.

*Article 12. Voted* the sum of \$2,750.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to install a radio transmitter/receiver network for the Highway, Tree and Water Departments.

*Article 13. Voted Unanimously* the sum of \$5,000.00 be raised and appropriated to purchase selective call pagers for the personnel of the Fire Department.

*Article 14. Voted Unanimously* the sum of \$3,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Water Commissioners to perform maintenance work on three water department vehicles.

*Article 15. Voted* the sum of \$3,000.00 be raised and appropriated to purchase a closed circuit television surveillance system for the Police Station cell area.

*Article 16. Voted* to pass this article without action.

*Article 17. Voted Unanimously* to petition the legislature to repeal Chapter 70 of the Special Acts of 1960 relative to the Town of West Bridgewater giving control of a certain parcel of land (former Cochesset School, Lincoln Street) to the West Bridgewater American Legion Post 66.



*Article 18.* Voted Unanimously to petition the general court to amend Section 147 of Chapter 140 of the General Laws to authorize the Town to retain all monies received by the Town Clerk for the issuance of Kennel Licenses and the sale of dog licenses and said monies to be paid into the general treasury and not to the County of Plymouth, and to regulate all matters pertaining to the keeping of dogs in the town.

*Article 19.* Voted the sum of \$10,000.00 be appropriated and transferred from E. & D. for the stabilization fund.

Upon counted vote of Yes-57 and No-44, Motion carried.

*Article 20.* Voted unanimously the sum of \$32,000.00 be transferred from Surplus Revenue to be used for the purpose of reducing the Tax Rate for the Fiscal year July 1, 1982 to June 30, 1983.

*Article 21.* to transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Motion made to adjourn meeting. So Voted. Meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

A true copy,  
Anna E. Brown,  
Town Clerk

## Special Town Meeting July 28, 1982

A meeting of which the inhabitants of the Town of West Bridgewater qualified to vote in elections and town affairs were notified by warrant issued by the Board of Selectmen and posted by the Constable Edwin T. Gibson, on July 13, 1982 was held at the Jr.-Sr. High School Auditorium on July 28, 1982. Meeting called to order by Moderator, Charles L. Hill at 7:30 p.m. There being no objections the reading of the warrant was waived.

37 voters were checked in.

Meeting proceeded as follows:

*Article 1. Moved:* The sum of \$33,840.79 be transferred from Excess and Deficiency to pay unpaid bills for fiscal 1981-1982 as follows:

Board of Selectmen	\$ 4,048.25
Town Hall	235.00
Police Department	2,689.36
Fire Department	1,232.85
Board of Health	13,290.74
Street Lights	4,881.18
Unemployment Insurance	301.67
Water Department	5,781.81
Highway Department	118.10
School Department	1,261.33

Upon a counted vote of Yes-30 and No-3, motion carried.

Motion made to adjourn meeting so voted. Meeting adjourned at 8 p.m.

A true copy,  
Anna E. Brown,  
Town Clerk

# State Primary September 14, 1982

The State Primary was held at the Spring Street School on Tuesday, September 14, 1982. The Warrant issued by the Selectmen was posted by the Constable Edwin T. Gibson on August 24, 1982 in accordance with the Provisions of the Town By-Laws.

Specimen ballots, cards of instructions and abstracts of the laws imposing penalties upon voters, were posted as required by the laws of the Commonwealth.

The Polls were opened at 9 a.m. The Ballot boxes in both precincts were inspected and the register set at 0000. A total of 1350 Republican Ballots and 1225 Democratic Ballots were given to the Warden in Precinct I and receipt given for the same. A total of 1200 Republican Ballots and 1100 Democratic Ballots were given to the Warden in Precinct II and receipt given for same to the Town Clerk.

At the close of the Polls at 8 p.m. the Ballot Box registers showed the following number of ballots cast:

## Precinct I — 612

Democratic    385	Republican    227
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## Precinct II — 764

Democratic    534	Republican    230
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The following workers were sworn in:

**Precinct I.** Frank Miller, Warden: Edythe Baker, Clerk: Mary Cruz, Natalie Beaulieu, Patricia Berry, Judith Kinney, Checkers: Helen Souza, Marie Murray, Audrey Johnson, Joan Stork, Ann Long, Eutropy Sinkevich, Counters and Observers: Dorothy Williams, Claire Davock, Total Tally.

**Precinct II** John Sillars, Warden: Warren E. Turner, Clerk: Betty Turner, Debbie Podolsky, Lois Ketler, Natalie Brawders, Janet Merritt, Margaret Baker, Counters and Observers: Coralee Travers, Shirley Almquist, Paula Turner, Janet Carlson, Checkers: Joseph Souza William R. Brown, Jr., Total Tally.

The results were declared as follows:

## Republican Ballot

	I	II	Total
<b>SENATOR IN CONGRESS</b>			
Ray Shamie	184	43	227
Blanks	172	58	230
<b>GOVERNOR</b>			
Andrew J. Card	93	106	199
John R. Lakian	48	47	95
John W. Sears	79	72	151
Blanks	7	5	12

<b>LT. GOVERNOR</b>			
Leon J. Lombardi	192	186	378
Blanks	35	44	79
<b>ATTORNEY GENERAL</b>			
Richard L. Wainwright	188	176	368
Blanks	39	54	93
<b>SECRETARY</b>			
Jody DeRoma Dow	174	153	327
Blanks	53	77	130
<b>TREASURER</b>			
Mary J. LeClair	179	155	334
Blanks	48	75	123
<b>AUDITOR</b>			
Michael S. Robertson	173	162	335
Blanks	54	68	122
<b>REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS</b>			
Scattered		1	1
Blanks	227	229	456
<b>COUNCILLOR</b>			
Blanks	227	230	457
<b>SENATOR</b>			
Edward P. Kirby	189	172	361
Blanks	38	58	96
<b>REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT</b>			
Blanks	227	230	457
<b>DISTRICT ATTORNEY</b>			
Henry H. Chmielinski, Jr.	189	162	351
Blanks	38	68	106
<b>CLERK OF COURTS</b>			
Blanks	227	230	457
<b>REGISTER OF DEEDS</b>			
Blanks	227	230	457
<b>COUNTY COMMISSIONERS</b>			
Blanks	227	230	457

**Democratic Ballot**

	<b>I</b>	<b>II</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>SENATOR IN CONGRESS</b>			
Edward M. Kennedy	271	405	676
Scattered	2	1	3
Blanks	112	128	240

<b>GOVERNOR</b>			
King	226	294	520
Dukakis	156	236	392
Blanks	3	4	7
<b>LT. GOVERNOR</b>			
John F. Kerry	111	172	283
Evelyn Murphy	93	127	220
Lou Nickinello	65	89	154
Lois G. Pines	40	46	86
Samuel Rotondi	51	71	122
Blanks	25	29	54
<b>ATTORNEY GENERAL</b>			
Francis X. Bellotti	304	425	729
Blanks	81	109	190
<b>SECRETARY</b>			
Michael Joseph Connolly	268	405	673
Blanks	117	129	246
<b>TREASURER</b>			
Robert Q. Crane	273	407	680
Blanks	112	127	239
<b>AUDITOR</b>			
John J. Finnegan	262	395	657
Blanks	123	139	262
<b>REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS</b>			
Brian J. Donnelly	275	404	679
Blanks	110	130	240
<b>COUNCILLOR</b>			
John Britland	214	320	534
Manuel Fernando Neto	71	93	164
Blanks	100	121	221
<b>SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT</b>			
Alfred Almeida	250	373	623
Blanks	135	161	296
<b>REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT</b>			
Michael C. Creedon	274	414	688
Scattered		1	1
Blanks	111	119	230
<b>DISTRICT ATTORNEY</b>			
William C. O'Malley	277	413	690
Blanks	108	121	229
<b>CLERK OF COURTS</b>			
Francis R. Powers	262	393	654
Blanks	124	141	265



## REGISTER OF DEEDS

John Dennis Riordan	256	390	646
Blanks	129	144	273

## COUNTY COMMISSIONER

Gerard F. Burke	256	399	655
Blanks	129	135	264

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Town Clerk

## State Election November 2, 1982

The State Election was held at the Spring Street School on Tuesday, November 2, 1982. The Warrant issued by the Slectmen was posted by the Constable Edwin T. Gibson on October 21, 1982 in accordance with the provisions of the Town By-Laws.

Speciman Ballots, cards of instructions and abstracts of the laws imposing penalties upon voters, were posted as required by the laws of the Commonwealth.

The Polls were opened at 8 a.m. The Ballot boxes in both precincts were inspected and the register set at 0000. A total of 2400 ballots were given the Warden in Precinct I and receipt given for same. 2435 Ballots were given the Warden in Precinct II and receipt given for same.

At the close of the polls at 8 p.m. the Ballot Box registers showed the following number of ballots cast:

Precinct I	1265
Precinct II	1443

The following workers were sworn in:

Wardens: John Sillars, Frank Miller

Clerks: Edythe Baker, Warren Turner

Checkers: Mary Cruz, Natalie Beauleau, Judith Kinney, Joyce Nystrom, Shirley Almquist, Coralee Travers, Janet Carlson, Paula Turner.

Counters and Observers: Catherine Chaves, Eutropya Sinkevich, Eleanor Coelho, Virginia Lovell, Alice Richardson, Janet Merritt, Joanne McAndrew, Elizabeth Turner, Nancy Pettonelli, Audrey Johnson, Marie Murray Helen Souza, Delores Landry, Mary Leonard, Joanne Stork, Elaine Laughton, Margaret Baker, Lois Ketler, Ann Long, Mary Thayer, Debbie Podolsky, Shirley Bowman, John Baker.

Total Tally: Dorothy Williams, Claire Davock, William R. Brown, Jr. Joseph Souza.

The results were declared as follows:

	I	II	Total
SENATOR IN CONGRESS			
Kennedy	558	647	1205
Shamie	686	763	1449
Katz	9	12	21
Blanks	12	21	33

# LT. GOVERNOR & GOVERNOR

Dukakis & Kerry	527	580	1107
Sears & Lombardi	671	775	1446
Rich & Davies	1	55	96
Shipman & MacConnell	11	14	25
Blanks	15	19	34

# ATTORNEY GENERAL

Francis X. Bellotti	714	851	1565
Richard L. Wainwright	490	520	1010
Michael Reilly	34	25	59
Blanks	27	47	74

# SECRETARY

Michael Joseph Connolly	670	838	1508
Jody DeRoma Dow	477	466	943
Robin D. Zazula	23	27	50

Blank

Blanks	95	111	207
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# TREASURER

Robert Q. Crane	680	850	1530
Mary J. LeClair	485	490	975
Freda L. Nason	20	23	43
Blanks	80	80	160

# AUDITOR

John J. Finnegan	574	708	1282
Michael S. Robertson	549	571	1120
Donald E. Washburn	36	33	69
Blanks	106	131	237

# REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

Brian J. Donnelly	883	1011	1984
Scattered		2	2
Blanks	382	430	812

# COUNCILLOR

John Britland	816	937	1753
Blanks	449	506	955

# SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT

Edward P. Kirby	814	861	1675
Alfred Almeida	373	463	836
Blanks	78	119	197

# REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

Michael C. Creedon	876	982	1858
Scattered		1	1
Blanks	389	460	841

# DISTRICT ATTORNEY

William C. O'Malley	575	695	1270
Henry H. Chmielinski, Jr.	632	683	1315
Blanks	58	65	123

**CLERK OF COURTS**

Francis R. Powers	855	963	1818
Blanks	410	480	890

**REGISTER OF DEEDS**

John Dennis Riordan	846	959	1805
Blanks	419	484	903

**COUNTY COMMISSIONER**

Gerard F. Burke	842	962	1804
Blanks	423	481	904

**Question No. 1 – Funding Private Schools with Public Funds**

Yes	347	359	706
No	847	995	1842
Blanks	71	89	160

**Question No. 2 – Death Penalty**

Yes	863	1027	1890
No	344	346	690
Blanks	58	70	128

**Question No. 3 – Freeze on Nuclear Power Plants**

Yes	793	964	1757
No	398	402	800
Blanks	74	77	151

**Question No. 4 – Bottle Bill**

Yes	696	757	1453
No	527	648	1175
Blanks	42	38	80

**Question No. 5 – Nuclear Weapons Moratorium**

Yes	819	936	1755
No	354	400	754
Blanks	92	107	199

**Question No. 6**

Yes	775	852	1652
No	406	480	886
Blanks	84	111	195

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## Births Recorded In 1982

### January

15	Andrea Ilene Karsh	Richard Neil & Ann Estelle Sirois
19	Jennifer Marie Eldeb	James Allie & Jean Marie Bandlow
26	Aaron Douglas Amara	Douglas Michael & Martha Anne Hanson
28	Jonathan Albert Bandlow	Albert L. & Evelyn A. Rehill

### February

3	Kristin Louise Armstrong	Kurt & Karen Louise Dempsey
5	Christian Andrew Perry	Robert Wayne & Judith Ann Perry
12	Patrick Robert Murray	Thomas Francis & Marilyn Helen Kammann
15	Andrew Ryan Hamilton	Peter Benedict, Jr. & Jacqueline Marie Kemp
16	Jacquelyn Leigh Canzano	Thomas E. & Christina L. Babicz
27	Marie Elizabeth Canzano	Robert N. & Roberta M. Beers
27	Joseph John Bottini	John F. & Beverly A. Hern
27	Heather Marie MacHardy	Donald G. & Debora A. Briggs
28	Michael Anania Beliveau	Russell A. & Laraine V. Anania

### March

3	Jennifer Lauren Turner	Carl E. & Dale Hicks
6	Sara Dawn Anderson	Bruce R. & Suzanne L. Hunt
8	Amy Lynn Taylor	Gordon R. & Mary E. Stoddard
17	Crystal Patricia Willock	Thomas J. Jr., & Gail A. Buckley
24	Justin John Ternullo	John & Maria Chaves

### April

7	Sara Lyn Spillane	Thomas M. & Tina M. Zeoli
26	John Thomas Holak	John M. & Catherine A. Massa
27	Necola Marie Arrigo	Glenn A. & Elise M. Dion
29	Michael Patrick Ryan	Daniel P. & Joan M. Melovano

### May

3	Corinne Evelyn Packard	Philip Warren & Cheryl Ann Benson
8	Melissa Margaret Cain	Charles R., Jr. & Paula M. Bradley
10	Nicole Alysse Menton	Michael J. & Meredith L. Tewksbury
11	Allen Ma Ferstermaker	Richard E. & Pi Yuan Ma
15	Christopher Luke Varney	Mark D. & Nancy L. Alger
16	Eric Charles Bickford	Joseph D. & Debora A. Knight
18	Robert David Kellie	David R. & Barbara L. Dias
19	Holly Mae Wirth	Kevin B. & Anita Marie Gomes
27	Julia Kathryn Kippen	John C. & Barbara A. Franklin
28	Kristin Beth Klebash	Kenneth J. & Nancy Marie Berry
30	Liesl Anne Guasconi	George C. & Judith E. Barney



## June

6	Brandon Walsh Cabana	Louis R. & Margaret M. Amerigian
12	Christopher John Lawrence	Allan W. & Colleen B. Currie
14	Krystal Rose Higgins	Charles K., Jr. & Kathleen R. Pinnetti
17	Lindsey Ann Card	Robert A. & Diane M. Contre
21	Courtney Patricia Sherlock	Edward L. & Maureen J. Rush
26	Joshua John Lagerval	Richard K. & Cynthia J. Ness

## July

2	Christopher Robert Massey	Robert J. & Kathleen A. Fleming
3	Joshua Earl Winfrey	Randall N. & Donna L. Gengras
16	John Joseph Leary IV	John J. & Margaret A. O'Keefe
18	Mark William Daly	William R., Jr. & Helen L. Webby
22	Heather Beth Green	Thomas C. & Lois M. Hatch
28	Michelle Lucille Bartlett	Raymond & Ellen M. Peterson
31	Brendan Peter Morris	Craig & Mary M. Perkins

## August

6	Chester Richard Anderson	Chester R. & Julie A. Chaplie
16	Sarah Elizabeth Peabody	Alan J. & Kathleen M. Cregg
18	Danielle Vivace	Thomas E. & Julie A. Waylein
20	Lyndsay Elizabeth Alden Jones	Ronald S. & Heather Jeanne Miller
22	Christopher Robert Norman	William R. & Barbara J. Connolly
30	Loren Michelle McMullen	Thomas A. & Diane M. Rocheford

## September

1	Stephanie Kate Langlais	Philip J. & Lynne Sanborn
16	Jamie Lee Kenn	Peter Joseph & Shoraon Lee Child

## October

7	Jaclyn Ann Bumpus	Chalmer Paul & Karen Ann Kelly
9	Rachel Ann Rego	Julius Edward & Cynthia Ann MacTighe
13	Elizabeth Margaret Bell	Patrick Brennan & Nancy Jane Hoelscher
13	Heather Ruth Nickerson	Frank Elwin & Ruth Susan Couite
25	Mark Bradford Stella, Jr.	Mark Bradford & Gail Marie Lordan
28	Cassandra Dawn Bearce	Weston Noel & Karen Louise Wood
30	Christopher Michael Boliver	Richard Francis & Nancy Marie Camardella

## November

9	Kathryn Anne Mahoney	Francis X. II & Mary P. Roach
13	Katherine Elene Madore	Raymond Joseph & Ariadne Paula Terpos
14	Roberto Mejia Valladares, Jr.	Roberto Mejia & Rosemary Lynda Champagne
16	Steven Scott Mattie	Joseph Angelo & Shirley Blanche Johnson

## December

1	John Philip Reid	Mark William & Kathleen Murray
5	Richard Arthur Kwan	Arthur Adam & Cynthia Jane Snow
6	Aislyn Cerce Arnone	Peter Joseph & Catherine Ann Cerce
30	Jessica Lyn McMenamin	James E., Jr. & Donna Marie Kinney

## Marriages Recorded In 1982

### January

- 9 Mark R. Ricciardi and Eleanor A. Harris in West Bridgewater
- 10 Harry David Raleigh II and Therese M. LaCroix in West Bridgewater

### February

- 14 Robert E. West III and Meliss L. Apostle at North Easton

### March

- 6 Peter J. Duquette and Linda Ann Smith at Brockton
- 20 Michael J. Hoelscher and Teri-Ann Pierce at West Bridgewater
- 28 Richard F. Drew and Linda L. Deaton at East Bridgewater

### April

- 17 Daniel M. Dunne and Rosemary Chaves at West Bridgewater
- 17 Michael J. Linden and Anne DiCorpo at West Bridgewater
- 18 Peter Gerard Smith and Mary Theresa Coleman at Holbrook
- 24 Michael Stephen Coleman and Susan Jean Nelson at Bridgewater
- 24 Robert G. Healey and Bonnie L. Willis at West Bridgewater

### May

- 1 Edward Langton and Kathleen M. Murphy at Brockton
- 29 Richard J. Herlihy and Laura F. Crowley at West Bridgewater

### June

- 12 William H. Holmes and Roberta M. Rehling at Holbrook
- 19 Brian T. Boates and Deborah Replenski at Hanover
- 19 Richard D. Heath and Annette M. Vanderstaay at Bridgewater
- 20 David J. Purpura and Cindy L. Meaney at West Bridgewater
- 20 Wayne E. Carlson and Sherri Cotton at Stoughton
- 25 George D. Leavitt III and Barbara J. Hill at West Bridgewater
- 26 Steven P. Marchand and Diane V. Reynolds at Brockton
- 26 Donald H. Anderson and Karen L. Teixeira at West Bridgewater

### July

- 10 John Charles Knox and Tracy Martin at West Bridgewater
- 17 Steven P. Wade and Patricia A. Chase at Easton
- 31 Bradford Herrick and Priscilla Tasonis at East Bridgewater

### August

- 16 Walter Howard McElroy and Donna Joanne Lovel at East Bridgewater

### September

- 18 Robert L. Pike and Susan L. Erbeck at West Bridgewater
- 19 Joseph P. Cameron and Robyn A. Graham at South Easton
- 25 Thomas George Belmore and Tracy Lee Mondeau at West Bridgewater
- 25 Francis J. Durden and Susan J. Drislane at Brockton
- 26 Timothy F. Brawders and Cynthia Jantomaso at Brockton

#### October

- 1 David X. Sheehan, Jr. and Jacqueline Sheehan at West Bridgewater
- 2 Karl Victor Anderson and Sharon Eileen Mabee at West Bridgewater
- 9 Michael Thomas Spry and Patricia Gail Adams at Bridgewater
- 10 Alan W. Siscoe and Hollis Emery at East Bridgewater
- 23 Robert E. Lindquist and Laureen J. Battista at West Bridgewater

#### November

- 20 John T. Dwyer and Juliann Walker at West Bridgewater

#### December

- 4 Charles Pagani and Dorothy Y. Tremblay at West Bridgewater

## Deaths Recorded In 1982

#### January

- |    |                     |    |                                |
|----|---------------------|----|--------------------------------|
| 1  | Jeanette Mandeville | 51 | Respiratory failure            |
| 27 | John James Hodnett  | 89 | Pneumonia                      |
| 27 | Evelyn Clara Thayer | 77 | Pneumonia                      |
| 28 | John A. Tallman     | 76 | Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease |

#### February

- |   |                          |    |                                   |
|---|--------------------------|----|-----------------------------------|
| 5 | Gladys Iola Fox          | 70 | Carcinoma of lung with metastasis |
| 8 | Gladys Florence Wardwell | 83 | Cerebral thrombosis               |

#### March

- |    |                      |    |   |
|----|----------------------|----|---|
| 3  | Rose E. Nolan        | 88 | Arrhythmia, Pneumonia                                     |
| 3  | Charles S. Grippen   | 79 | Hyperosmolar coma secondary to Diabetes                   |
| 19 | Mary A. Mace         | 79 | Hypertensive Cardiovascular Disease                       |
| 20 | Raymond L. Cook      | 87 | Heart Disease presumably arteriosclerotic uini-arrhythmia |
| 22 | Anna E. Hines        | 72 | Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease                            |
| 23 | Henry M. Chamberlain | 69 | Heart Disease - presumably arteriosclerotic               |
| 23 | Raymond C. Howard    | 80 | Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease                            |

#### April

- |    |                               |    |  |
|----|-------------------------------|----|--|
| 2  | Albert Joseph Chassey         | 81 | Cardiac arrest                           |
| 21 | John Joseph Hallisey          | 45 | Massive laceration and avulsion of brain |
| 21 | Florian Benjamin Burnham, Sr. | 77 | Respiratory failure                      |

May		
12	Boyd Campbell, Sr.	65 Venticular Coronary Artery Disease
21	Ruth A. E. Battaglia	67 Myocardial Infarction
21	Joanne Mary Merlino	20 Asphyxiation
27	Choice Wood Taylor	80 Cerebral Vascular Thrombosis
June		
5	Mary Alice Gonsalves	89 Arteriosclerosis-Cerebral and Coronary
July		
1	Helen Verna Anderson	71 Hyperthermia
2	George Earle, Sr.	93 Respiratory Failure
12	Gladys E. Evans	91 Heart Disease
15	Esther Somes	69 Cardio Pulmonary Arrest
23	Arthur R. Brindley	43 Metastatic Lung Cancer
30	Anthony Bettencourt	70 Cardio-respiratory Arrest
August		
12	Anna Elizabeth Carlson	88 Arteriosclerotic Disease
22	Laura Etta Lawson	70 Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease
22	Harold W. Height	88 Congestive Heart Failure
September		
11	Henry Korotsky	60 Metastatic Colon Cancer
12	Jennie Nowe	77 Myocardial Ischemia
16	Margaret W. Brown	83 Heart Failure
October		
4	Sara Ann Giovanoni	79 Cardiorespiratory Arrest
13	Thomas Kenneth Gauthier	49 Coronary Artery Disease
19	Richard C. Pratt	56 Cardiac Arrest
26	Florence D. Holmquist	68 Heart Disease-Arteriosclerotic
November		
14	Lillian B. Silva	49 Pneumonia
21	John Joseph Brawders, Jr.	57 Cardiac Arrest
December		
10	Alcide Sousa	69 Heart Disease-Arteriosclerotic
15	Mitchell R. Tuepker	31 Acute Myocardial Ischemia
23	Matthew James Owens	77 Heart Disease



# Jurors Drawn — West Bridgewater — 1982

Constance Alden .....	Criminal/Civil
Jimmy C. Ames .....	Criminal/Civil
George P. Asack .....	Criminal/Civil
Patricia Baker .....	Criminal/Civil
Gerald A. Bean .....	Criminal/Civil
Walter B. Bird .....	Criminal/Civil
Louise Bishop .....	Criminal/Civil
Frank Bluis .....	Criminal/Civil
Dennis I. Cabral .....	Criminal/Civil
Ruth A. Cogswell .....	Criminal/Civil
Hector F. Cote .....	Criminal/Civil
Bettina J. Cristina .....	Criminal/Civil
Robert R. Diernback .....	Criminal/Civil
Peter R. Donndelinger .....	Criminal/Civil
Francis C. Doiron .....	Criminal/Civil
Alice Doty .....	Criminal/Civil
John M. Dwyer .....	Criminal/Civil
Howard L. Farnum .....	Criminal/Civil
Kathleen E. Fenstermaker .....	Criminal/Civil
Carol L. Ferris .....	Criminal/Civil
James L. Finch .....	Criminal/Civil
Helen Fisher .....	Criminal/Civil
Joseph Gareri .....	Criminal/Civil
Lester J. Golder .....	Criminal/Civil
Robert D. Hermanson .....	Criminal/Civil
Anna A. Howe .....	Criminal/Civil
June A. Jackson .....	Criminal/Civil
Holly J. Keigh .....	Criminal/Civil
Judith E. Kellie .....	Criminal/Civil
Sophie N. Kennedy .....	Criminal/Civil
Richard E. Krugger .....	Criminal/Civil
Isabel Kundicz .....	Criminal/Civil
Frances S. Leadbetter .....	Criminal/Civil
Thomas J. Lydon .....	Criminal/Civil

Timothy C. Mather .....	Criminal/Civil
William Mehl .....	Grand Juror
Linda McCann .....	Criminal/Civil
Brian P. McDonough .....	Criminal/Civil
Thomas J. Meaney, Sr. ....	Criminal/Civil
Harold J. Morse .....	Criminal/Civil
Helen A. Nelson .....	Grand Juror
Harold Nowlin .....	Criminal/Civil
Kevin A. Parker .....	Criminal/Civil
Florence L. Paulding .....	Criminal/Civil
Teri Pierce .....	Criminal/Civil
Agnes Pistone .....	Criminal/Civil
Mary C. Preston .....	Criminal/Civil
Beverly Ricci .....	Criminal/Civil
David Sillars .....	Criminal/Civil
Lionel Simon .....	Criminal/Civil
Patricia A. Smith .....	Grand Juror
Robert L. Smith .....	Criminal/Civil
Robin C. Smith .....	Criminal/Civil
Robert E. Stephens .....	Criminal/Civil
Frederick P. Sullivan .....	Criminal/Civil
Richard E. Swann .....	Criminal/Civil
Gerald J. Swift .....	Criminal/Civil
Elizabeth M. Varney .....	Criminal/Civil
David F. Walsh .....	Criminal/Civil
Darlene S. White .....	Criminal/Civil
Robert E. William, Sr. ....	Criminal/Civil
Elizabeth L. Zamaitis .....	Criminal/Civil
Gregory Zurawel .....	Criminal/Civil

## MISCELLANEOUS LICENSES ISSUED

### **DOG LICENSES FISH & GAME LICENSES**

Following monies received in Town Clerk's office and paid to the Treasurer:

Miscellaneous	\$22,118.95
Dog Licenses Fees	1,664.25
Fish & Game Fees	229.05

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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>24,012.25</b>
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Fish and Game Licenses Paid to Division of Fish and Wildlife	5,152.75
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Dog Licenses Paid to Treasurer for County	2,797.75
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A true copy,  
Attest:

Anna E. Brown, Town Clerk

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Board of Selectmen hereby submits its report for the year 1982.

The responsibilities and duties of Selectmen are varied. As chief executive officers we are required to act as Zoning Enforcing Authority, Local Licensing Authority, Negotiators with town employees. We are involved in the budget review process and are responsible for Town Meeting warrants. On our part, many meetings involving a considerable amount of time are necessary to fulfill all of these requirements. However, nothing can be accomplished without the cooperation and assistance of the dedicated people elected and appointed to serve your interests. And, to all of those people, we extend our sincere thanks.

The purpose of this report is to give the citizens of West Bridgewater a brief review of some of the more important highlights of the past year.

This Board takes the opportunity to recognize Joseph F. McCann who retired on May 1, 1982 after eleven years of service to the town as Treasurer/Collector. Mrs. Elizabeth Zamaitis was appointed by the Board to fill this vacancy until the Annual Election in April 1983.

Irving "Red" Sylvester retired as Superintendent of the Highway Department. The town benefited from Red's talents for a total of seventeen years. Effective July 1, 1982 Donald Newman was appointed Highway Superintendent.

Five parcels of town-owned land were auctioned by the Board (including two lots which were formerly the Sunset Avenue School) realizing a total of \$96,550.00.

During 1982 the town accepted the responsibility of collecting and processing of Parking Tickets previously done by the District Court of Brockton. Collections and computer processing of the tickets is done under contract with the Plymouth County Commissioners.

The Town voted on June 14, 1982 at its Annual Meeting to amend the Zoning By-Laws to include Flood Plain Zoning. This vote was a requirement for the Town to qualify for the Federal Flood Insurance Program. We acknowledge the efforts of the Planning Board, Conservation Commission and the Building Inspector.

As of July 1, 1982 Workmen's Compensation Insurance is provided by the Massachusetts Inter Local Insurance Association through the Massachusetts Municipal Association. This cooperative effort with other municipalities is designed to reduce costs. Savings are projected at approximately ten percent.

The State Department of Public Works completed the much-needed reconstruction of Main Street (Route 28) from the Bridgewater line to the Brockton line.



The Board appointed a Cable T.V. Study Committee in October 1982. Upon the recommendation of this Study Committee the Selectmen voted to initiate the bidding process for Cable T.V. A seven-member Advisory Committee has been named. We anticipate receiving the bids by March 14, 1983. Awarding of the contract is scheduled for early summer. We thank all of the members of the Study Committee under the able leadership of Bruce Soderholm.

The Selectmen held several meetings with the Ad Hoc Data Processing Committee. Many alternatives for providing additional computer capabilities for the Town were examined.

Proposed legislation and its anticipated effect on the Town require that Selectmen take an active role in lobbying. We have, during 1982, communicated with our representatives regarding several key issues including distribution of local aid, formation of regional water districts and state takeover of Registries of Deeds. It is important that our legislators hear our point of view. We must remain ever vigilant, concerned and active.

Finally, this Board of Selectmen is interested in providing the best possible services under the constraints of Proposition 2½. Proposition 2½, while providing necessary property tax relief, should also provide the impetus to improve the method of delivery of services to the citizens of West Bridgewater. We solicit your help and your input. Your participation is important and necessary. Help us to help you.

Board of Selectmen,  
Doris Haight, Chairman  
Eldon F. Moreira, Clerk  
Charles H. Johnson

## **REPORT OF THE TOWN COUNSEL**

During the past year, the Town has two actions pending in the Appeals Court; was a party to six Superior Court actions, and of those, five were in favor of the Town, and a favorable ruling is expected in the sixth action. Three matters were heard before State Administrative Boards, and both cases, a favorable decision was entered upholding the Town. No money damages or Judgements were entered against the Town. The following is a brief description of last year's activity:

### **THE APPEALS COURT OF THE COMMONWEALTH**

The Conservation Commission  
vs  
Daniel Maneikas, D/B/A Pre-Design  
Buildings Company

For fourteen months during 1981-1982, Maneikas refused to file a Notice of Intent with the Conservation Commission, as he was required to do, prior to constructing an extension to his existing building at 405 West Street, in a declared wetlands area.

He began construction on August 4, 1982, and the following day the Conservation Commission sought and obtained an injunction against Maneikas. Following a two day trial, the court entered a Judgement in favor of the Conservation Commission, on September 8, 1982. Maneikas appealed the matter to the Appeals Court where the matter is pending. As directed by the court order, he did file his Notice of Intent with the Conservation Commission, but on February 4, 1983, appealed their finding to the Department of Environmental Quality Engineering, where the matter now stands.

PAUL LAMOUREUX  
vs  
The Town

Since March 1982, Lamoureux has been paid a disability pension by the Plymouth County Retirement Board, under a police disability statute for allegedly having injured his back while on duty as a police Officer. The facts surrounding his alleged injury remain in dispute and the Town as Appellant had filed an Appeal on February 28, 1982 in the Appeals Court.

## **Superior Court for the County of Plymouth**

**Bay State Gas Company**

**vs**

**The Town**

Bay State Gas Company had filed suit against the Town disputing a street opening permit fee of twenty five dollars, (\$25.00), increased by the Selectmen from ten dollars, (\$10.00). Through negotiations, Bay State agreed to withdraw the suit, and further agreed to accept a permanent fee of twenty dollars, (\$20.00). As a result of these negotiations the Town was able to double the amount of the fee, and remove itself as a defendant, and avoiding prolonged litigation.

**The Town**

**vs**

**Albert Calef, et ux**

In March of 1982, the Town was compelled to abate a public nuisance by causing to be levelled at it's own expense, (following Calef's refusal to do so), the realty destroyed by fire in August, 1979, at 265 East Center Street. The Town expended thirty four hundred dollars, (\$3,400.00), to hire a contractor. Suit was commenced in June 1982, in the Superior Court to recover the amount paid to the contractor. A real estate attachment in favor of the Town was allowed by the Court on June 30, 1982, and the matter is pending.

**Frederick T. Naymie**

**vs**

**The Town**

On June 18, 1982, Frederick T. Naymie, claiming ownership to certain realty, filed suit against the Town in the Brockton Probate Court, (having concurrent jurisdiction with the Superior Court) to prevent a scheduled sale of tax title property on June 21, 1982, located on Roosevelt Avenue Extension, and shown as lot 31-1, on the Assessor's map E-4, at the Town Hall; and approximating 2.33 acres. The matter is being negotiated with the Board of Selectmen and Naymie's representative.

**Frederick T. Naymie**

**vs**

**The Board of Appeals**

In a separate suit, independent of the suit referred to above, Naymie, in January of 1983, filed another action against the Board of Appeals claiming status as an "aggrieved person", of a decision of the Board on December 6,



1982, granting a variance to a certain parcel of land on North Elm Street, (Lot 35-3, and lot 36, Map E3, Assessor's office), formerly known as the School House lot on the westerly side of North Elm Street, at the City of Brockton line. Naymie, an abutter of the property, claiming an interest in the Wedgewood Golf Course, sought to enjoin the Town from selling the property. The property had also been previously taken by the Town as tax title property. The court found in favor of the Town, and denied the injunction, and the matter is pending.

**Cambridge Animal Aid Inc;**

vs

**The Town**

In October 1982, the Plymouth County Commissioners, acting as a licensing authority voted to revoke the kennel license of Cambridge Animal Aid Inc; of 279 Pleasant Street, West Bridgewater, for failure to operate the kennel within previous guidelines set by the Commissioners. The kennel owners filed suit against the Commissioners in October in the Brockton District Court. The Town sought permission to enter the suit as a statutory intervenor, inasmuch as the kennel is located in the Town, but the court denied it's request. The Town has now filed as a co-plaintiff with the County Commissioners against the kennel owners in the Superior Court seeking to uphold the October decision of the Commissioner's and an interested party. The matter is pending, as are the Silvia, Giovanni, and Estabrook matters, involving a right of way, and zoning violation(s).

**Before the Alcoholic Beverage  
Control Commission**

**The Board of Selectmen**

vs

**The Penthouse Lounge**

The Board of Selectmen, acting as the local licensing authority, suspended the alcoholic Beverage license of the Penthouse Lounge for a period of seven days for selling alcoholic beverages to a minor. Penthouse appealed their decision to the Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission, and following a hearing on February 8, 1983, the Commission sustained the Selectmen's decision.

**In the matter of Michael F. Neves**

Michael F. Neves, the lessee of the Shell Service Station at Route 106, and Route 24, applied to the Board of Selectmen to sell Beer and Wine as a re-



tail package store, on the premises of the Shell Station, in addition to selling gasoline. A well attended hearing was held on January 31, 1983, and a decision issued on February 3rd, denying the application, (with the Chairman, Doris Haight dissenting). Neves did not take an appeal to the Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission.

### **The Matfield Homes Mobile Park Matter**

To a neutral observer viewing the joint efforts of the several town Boards, meeting, asserting, and compromising, to ensure a well operated and properly maintained Mobile Home Park, he would, I am certain, conclude that he had witnessed local town government at it's best. The developers of the Matfield Homes Mobile Park at 775 North Main Street, began negotiations with the Planning Board in early August of 1982. The purpose of the negotiations was to agree, with mutuality upon roadways, construction, zoning, lighting, occupancy, sidewalks, and a multiplicity of other factors, reduced to a workable written agreement, and an engineers plan to govern the progress of the construction of the park. The application of these requirements, and their need to stand harmonious with and complement existing General and local By-Laws was a test of judgement and patience upon all parties.

From August to February, the Planning Board, the Conservation Commission, the Board of Health, the Building Inspector, and the Board of Selectmen, all participated to meet their respective obligations. At this writing, an Ad Hoc committee comprised of certain members of these Boards, continue to oversee the construction phases. To the credit of all parties, including the developer, Richard J. Civitarese, the issues remained on a formal level, were never personalized, and potential litigation was avoided.

### **TAX TITLE PROPERTIES**

With the combined efforts of the Board of Selectmen, the Tax Collector's office, and the undersigned, several long standing tax title properties and one public building, (the Sunset Avenue School), were sold at public auction to private parties. These cash sales approximated one hundred and twenty five thousand dollars (\$125,000.00) to the Town, and the properties are now on the tax rolls. While a description of the properties are too numerous to list for purposes of this report, all are on file at the Selectmen's Office, as well as a response to several rulings requested of me by various Boards and officials. There have been no conflict of interest rulings requested this year.

### **Before the Appellate Tax Board**

Court Realty had filed for Real Estate tax abatements for the tax years, 1979,

1980, and 1981, with the Appellate Tax Board in Boston, of it's realty situated at 787 and 855 North Main Street, West Bridgewater, disputing the assessed valuation of the realty set by the assessors. The assessors, following several hours of preparation appeared before the Appellate Tax Board, as Appellee's, in December, 1982, to defend their assessed valuation.

The Appellant at the hearing, decided to withdraw his appeal and not to contest the tax appraisal figures at a saving to the Town in excess of fifty thousand dollars, (\$50,000.00), in assessed valuations.

I wish to thank all Town Boards, officials, and employees, for their assistance and cooperation this past year. The Board of Selectmen have greatly increased their hours spent at the Town Hall attempting to resolve the growing complexities in town government. They are always open minded and reach a decision only after carefully weighing the interests of all parties.

A special thanks is extended to Mrs. Bucci, who always remains calm, courteous, and helpful to anyone having contact with the Selectmen's office.

A special thanks is also extended to Bill Turner, father of the New Mobile Home Park Regulations, and who on the shortest notice will assist at the Town Hall, or appear in court with records, materials, photographs, and glowing enthusiasm, ready to lend his support and expertise.

Respectfully Submitted:

J. Joseph Lydon  
Town Counsel

## REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

I herewith submit the Annual Report of the West Bridgewater Police Department for the year 1982.

Complaints	2,823
Investigations	6,642
Breaking and Entering	75
Larceny (Inc. Larceny by check)	217
Arrests (Total)	552
Male Adult	468
Female Adult	38
Male Juvenile	44
Female Juvenile	2

Following is a breakdown of some of the arrests as listed above. Not included are misdemeanors and traffic violations.

Assault and Battery	49
Robberies	2
Breaking and Entering (Residential)	39
Breaking and Entering (Commercial)	36
Larceny More	132
Larceny Less	85
Rape	2
Attempted Rape	1
Indecent Assault	1
Operating Under Influence	117

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

Accidents (Total)	450
Buildings Found Open	64
Assist Ambulance	289
Transport to Hospital	14
Transport to Mental Health Facility	9
Assist to Other Towns (Total)	237
Accidents	46
Investigations	191
Officers Assaulted	2
Fires Covered	58
Alarms Answered	775
House Checks	105
Vehicles Stolen	36
Vehicles Recovered	43
Missing Persons	12
Unexpected Deaths	11

Persons in Protective Custody	74
Bomb Scares Investigated	1
Value of Property Stolen	\$295,222
Value of Property Recovered	\$190,430

### TRAFFIC

Accidents	450
Fatales	0
Property Damage	315
Accidents with Injuries	137
Hit and Run Accidents	24
Auto Violations to Court	1,206
Warnings to Registry	1,001
Arrests for Traffic Violations	200

### 1982 Monies returned to the Town of West Bridgewater

Pistol Permits Issued	\$ 600.00
Licenses to Sell Firearms & Ammunition	33.00
Firearms Identification Cards	90.00
Received from Insurance Companies for Copies	1,159.20
Parking Fines from Brockton District Court	1,894.00
Fines Returned from Brockton District Court	74,215.00
Total Monies Turned In to Town	\$77,991.20

In the year 1982, we show an increase in the number of complaints and investigations, as well as motor vehicle accidents. All areas of criminal activity showed an increase, with the exception of breaking and entering, which reflected a decrease.

Due to an increase in the number of false alarms, I am strongly recommending the implementation of a by-law whereby a fine would be levied to any individual or business that repeatedly sent in false alarms. Of the 775 alarms answered by the police department in the year 1982, 95% proved to be false.

The in-house video system requested at last year's town meeting has been installed and is working well.

Of the five towns served by the Brockton District Court, with the exception of the city of Brockton, West Bridgewater showed the greatest number of complaints issued for the year 1982. The total number of complaints issued by West Bridgewater was 2,931, followed by Bridgewater with 2,284. As West Bridgewater is the smallest of these five towns in population, I feel that this shows that our officers are doing their part to enforce the law in this community.



Due to the constraints of Proposition 2½, we are operating with a limited budget and are unable to provide the in-service training that I feel is so necessary for our officers. The cost of re-certifying seven officers as Emergency Medical Technicians was such that we were unable to provide any other training. I believe that if we allow the Fire Department to take over the responsibility of the ambulance and use police officers as First Responders, it would free the budget of this expense and allow for the in-service training.

Once again, we have shown an increase in fines returned to the town, both from Brockton District Court and from parking fines. The court fines for 1982 totalled \$74,215. Parking fines for the six-month period between July 1 and December 31 was \$1,894. The total of these fines turned over to the town for last year was \$76,109.

The new system for parking fines went into effect in 1982, with Selectman Charles Johnson acting as parking clerk. The County Commissioners' office handles all collecting of fines except in cases involving hearings.

Once again, I would like to recommend that two of our cruisers be traded. I feel this would eliminate the costly repairs that would be necessary to keep the present cars operational.

At this time, I would like to extend my sincere thanks to the Board of Selectmen for their cooperation, support, and understanding throughout the year. I would also like to thank the other town departments for their assistance and cooperation. I greatly appreciate it.

To the officers of the Police Department, I extend my sincere gratitude for their cooperation and untiring efforts to make this a good Police Department.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ervin G. Lothrop  
Chief of Police

## CIVIL DEFENSE

This has been a very fortunate year for the Town of West Bridgewater. There were no emergencies. Consequently, no expense was incurred by you, the taxpayer.

Remember, should any family require shelter due to power failure, etc., please call any one of the following numbers:

Civil Defense Director	586-1394
Fire Department	586-4137
Police Department	586-2528

Your Civil Defense Staff consists of the following:

Ronald Snell, Deputy Defense Director  
Harry Ketler, Chief Communication Officer  
Bruce Adams, Traffic Officer  
Elmer W. Walker, Shelter Manager  
John A. Dacey, Message Officer  
Warren E. Turner, Radio Officer  
Robert Werner, Public Information Officer

Two doctors and two nurses

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Manugian  
Civil Defense Director

# REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit my annual report as Chief of the Fire Department of the Town of West Bridgewater for the year 1982.

## **Personnel**

The personnel of the Fire department consists of one (1) permanent Chief, one (1) permanent Deputy Chief, five (5) permanent firefighters, two (2) call Captains, one (1) call Lieutenant, and twenty two (22) call firefighters. All six (6) of the permanent firefighters are certified Emergency Medical Technicians, both National, and by the Commonwealth of Mass. Six (6) of the call Firefighters are also certified EMTs.

## **Apparatus**

Engine No. 1, 1978 Hendrickson/Farrar 1250 GPM pumper; Engine No.2, 1959 Seagrave/Chevrolet 750 GPM pumper, Combination No. 1, 1968 Pierre-Thibault W-500 Dodge (4 Wheel drive) 500 GPM pump (Auxiliary); Combination No. 2, 1945 Chevrolet 500 GPM front mounted pump; Forest Fire No. 1, 1967 Ford (4 wheel drive) Utility Truck, Ladder No. 1, 1950 American LaFrance 75' Aerial Ladder; Rescue No. 1, 1962 Ford Van Truck; Ambulance No. 1, 1976 Chevrolet/Horton; Chief's car, 1979 Pontiac Wagon.

## **Statistical Report**

During the year 1982 the Fire Department responded to a total of one thousand one hundred and thirty one (1131) calls, an increase of 121 calls over last year.

Permits and Inspections totalled: 687

Total Ambulance Runs: 553

Total Persons Transported: 529

Total Ambulance Mileage 7,355.2

Total Apparatus Mileage 40,389.0

Mutual Aid to other Towns: 33

Mutual Aid from other Towns: 32

## **Drills & Training Program**

This year monies were appropriated for the purpose of Monthly drills. As required by law, all call firefighters were recertified as first responders, which used up 12 of the drill sessions. Next year we can devote all the sessions to firefighting techniques.

## **Fire Prevention & Inspections**

Regular Inspections were made at all Schools as were supervised Fire Drills. The Red Ball & Invalid sticker requests are never ending, particularly after programs in the Schools, during Fire Prevention week.

### **Requests & Recommendations**

Again this year I am requesting that consideration be given to strengthening the Permanent manpower force, to 2 men per shift, thereby reducing the number of callbacks of the off duty personnel. We were able to purchase 13 Radio Pagers this year, which has greatly improved the availability of the personnel. All 7 of the permanent personnel, and 4 of the available daytime callmen, are presently outfitted with these units.

Maintenance and repairs to the Station and the Equipment, continues to be done by members of the Department as far as possible.

This year we are faced with a major repair to the Ladder Truck. The motor is in need of a major overhaul, however some parts are no longer available for that vintage motor. There are two alternatives; one is to replace the motor, leaving all other parts, such as the brakes, transmission, rear end, etc, at the 32 year old age. The second alternative is to replace the entire chassis, with a more modern vintage. Before any money is spent on the vehicle, I feel that a stress test be performed, to determine that the ladder itself is in a safe condition, to warrant any expenditure. Action is being taken at this time to determine the best method of approach.

In closing I wish to thank all of the personnel of the Fire Department, all the individuals that comprise the Boards, Departments, and Committees, the Merchants and Townspeople, for their cooperation and assistance to the Fire Department during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Charles A. Dyke, Chief



## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

The Board of Assessors had hoped to be able to give the townspeople a complete report with finalized figures on the revaluation program conducted by Appraisal Consultants of New England. However, until the final approval is received from the Department of Revenue, the Board would rather postpone any announcement of the new total valuation figures and possible tax rate.

The Board is confident that the tax rate will be set within the month and are hoping that tax bills will be mailed prior to April 1st.

There has been an increase in new building and additions throughout the town, evidently brought about by more money being available and lower mortgage rates. The Industrial area of the town is attracting much attention from outside firms as well as local interests, and the Board is pleased with the increased activity, and feel confident that this area will continue to grow.

We are sorry for any inconvenience caused by the revaluation program and wish to express our appreciation to the townspeople for their support and cooperation during the past year.

West Bridgewater Board of Assessors  
Sherwood W. Jackson  
Gary A. Boyd  
DeSales J. Heath

## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

As Highway Superintendent, I hereby submit my report for the year 1982. Since my appointment in May, 1982, the Highway Department has been exceedingly busy.

### **Resurfacing Type I-1**

During the past year the Highway Department prepared and resurfaced Plain Street for a distance of 1,568 feet with a width of 27 feet, from the Brockton town line to the East Bridgewater town line with a 1½ inch thickness. We also resurfaced the short section of cafeteria driveway at the Rose L. MacDonald School for a distance of 125 feet with a width of 12 feet.

### **New Construction**

We installed 30 feet of 12-inch drainage pipe along Aldrich Road to alleviate an existing water problem and through the cooperation of the Bridgewater Highway Department, the problem was resolved. A walkway was installed at the Rose L. MacDonald School to alleviate a problem of mud being tracked into the gymnasium. 250 feet of new fencing was installed along River Street in a westerly direction from the Town Park. Out of a total distance of 10,171 feet, we have excavated, gravelled and fine graded 3,318 feet of Manley Street and applied 2 inches of coarse Type I bituminous binder.

### **Drainage**

The Highway Department constructed four new basins and drainage pipe throughout the town and reconstructed seven basins that have deteriorated throughout the years.

### **Snow**

The hired contractors and men of the Highway Department have done a commendable job of keeping the roads safe and passable by sanding and plowing during the winter months. I would like to thank the people of the town for the many compliments received.

### **Maintenance**

Both major and minor maintenance and repairs to the vehicles and equipment has been done by the personnel of the department at a great deal of savings to the Town. The Department has also been responsible for various maintenance jobs for the Fire, Police and School Departments. Continued regular maintenance was carried out: cleaning catch basins, culverts and waterways throughout the town, roadside mowing, picking up litter and dead animals along the roadsides, repairing of berms and seeding of grass where needed, patching of pot holes throughout the town, cleaning drainage pipe and installing same where

necessary, replacing and repairing signs as needed due to vandalism and accidents, painting of guard rails, striping traffic lines, and utilizing our leased street sweeper to its fullest, sweeping the roads of the entire town. The Highway Department is also responsible for hand carrying the Town Reports. This Department hauled gravel to fill in the foundation of the Sunset Avenue School and repaired the rails to the bridge on South Elm Street after an automobile accident. A special thanks to Leonard Graf of the Forestry Department for his help in the Highway Maintenance Program.

## Proposals

We have been able to sweep all the streets of the town at a minimal cost, because the street sweeper is on a lease purchase agreement. Previously only intersections and main roads had been swept by an outside contract. I feel that this street sweeper has saved the town many thousands of dollars while enabling the remainder of the men to carry out our many other tasks during the summer months. It is my hope that at the annual town meeting the street sweeper is accepted and will become a permanent vehicle in our fleet.

This coming year, we intend to resurface Manley Street with Type I top for a distance of 10,171 feet, from West Street to the Brockton town line, including a 2 foot box widening from Walnut Street to the Brockton line for a distance of 3,512 feet.

I am presently working on a schedule of roads to be resurfaced in the future.

I would like to thank the Board of Selectmen for appointing me to serve as Superintendent of the Highway Department, as well as the men on the Department, the Police, Fire, Water and Tree Departments, Town Office personnel, Committees and Townspeople for their cooperation and support in making this transitional year a smooth one.

I hope to continue to serve the Town for many years to come.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald E. Newman  
Highway Superintendent

## **PLANNING BOARD**

To the residents of West Bridgewater, we, the members of the Planning Board, submit this annual report on our activities for the year 1982.

The Planning Board reaffirmed its organization of officers in April with the election of Donald G. Asack, Chairman; Howard A. Anderson, Vice Chairman; and Wilfred G. Howard, Clerk.

Twenty-seven (27) meetings were held throughout the year including two (2) Public Hearings and one (1) special meeting.

The Board presented an article to include West Bridgewater in the National Flood Plain Insurance Program at the annual Town meeting in June, and the article passed.

Progress is continuing with the "Matfield Woods" Mobile Home Park. An agreement was signed by the Board and Trustees of the Park that would allow for occupancy permits after completion of each phase of construction. The completion of six (6) construction phases will finish the park. Altering of interior lot lines will enable larger mobile homes to be installed holding to the minimum of 40 feet between units. The estimated number of homes will be about 162.

The Planning Board and the Trustees for Paradise Park Land Development (the old Copeland Farm in back of Brooks Place and Samuel Ave.) appeared in Plymouth District Court to try and resolve the issues of access/egress from the subdivision. Judge George Keating told both parties to "get your act together" and report back to me on any progress made.

There were seven (7) subdivisions requiring form A approval and one twenty-nine (29) lot subdivision called Ebenwood Park. It extends from North Main Street to Spring Street.

Due to work load on Board Members, the revisions to our rules and regulations concerning the development of subdivisions has been delayed. However, they being one of our top priorities, we expect to complete them within the next year.



The Planning Board again wishes to express its appreciation for the fine cooperation it has received from all Town Departments; with special recognition again to the consistent helpfulness of our Town Clerk, Mrs. Anna Brown.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald G. Asack, Chairman  
Howard A. Anderson, Vice Chairman  
Wilfred G. Howard, Clerk  
D. Christopher Cross, Esquire  
William E. Turner, Jr.

## WATER DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

We the Commissioners and Superintendent of the Water Department of the Town of West Bridgewater, respectfully submit our annual report for the year ending December 31, 1982.

During the year a total of 254,897,140 gallons of water were pumped, which is 6,829,631 gallons more than the previous year. The greatest amount for any one day was July 18, with 173,380 gallons. The largest month was July with 27,552,740 gallons. The largest week was July 17 with 6,931,820 gallons.

With 254,897,140 gallons of water pumped plus 954,151 gallons bought from Easton, a total of 255,851,291 gallons of water were used. This makes a daily average of 700,962 gallons, a weekly average of 4,920,217 gallons, and a monthly average of 21,320,941 gallons. Recorded rainfall was 59.6 inches at Station One, Cyr Street, and 87.4 inches at Station Three, Manley Street, which averages 73.5 inches.

A total of 31 new services were installed for a total of 2,057 services. There were three services renewed, 82 calls for meter removal and installations, 26 meters repaired, 84 meters sealed and tagged, 469 miscellaneous calls, 129 repair calls, and 6 fire flow tests made.

We had 24 emergency house leaks, 25 emergency main leaks, 11 service line leaks, 22 meter and tailpiece leaks, 3 frozen meters, 13 frozen services, 14 hydrant repaired (7 replaced). Most hydrants were checked prior to cold weather

and this year again due to shortage of labor, hydrant stakes were installed on ones in hazardous areas. We would appreciate residents during snow storms, to shovel out the hydrants nearest them so the Fire Department will be able to locate them in time of emergency. Station maintenance was carried out every day, after every severe storm, and all power failures. We had a total of 5 power failures, 6 telemeter failure problems, 5 alarm failures, 35 equipment and station repairs, and 3 cases of vandalism (setting fires and broken lights).

There were 3 emergency calls for pumping, 1 swimming pool filled. Dead ends were flushed 18 times. A total of 566 overtime hours were spent on emergency calls and maintenance.

During the year, 152 analyses of our Town drinking water was made by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Quality Engineering for bacterial elements. Analysis of sodium concentration in our water averaged 18 milligrams per litre for 1982, allowing us to meet the regulations pertaining to sodium testing of 20 milligrams per litre.

As we come to the close of another trying year of service, we wish to thank all our customers for conserving, and in expressing faith in us in helping to continue to improve the water system. We wish to thank our own personnel who have worked hard and cooperated to make it successful, and all the Town Departments who have helped with their full cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

John W. Noyes, Chairman  
Donald Davock, Clerk  
Edward G. Asack, Asst. Member  
William E. Nickerson, Superintendent

## DATA PROCESSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

We, the members of the Data Processing Advisory Committee, respectfully submit the following report for 1982.

During the year the Committee has reviewed proposals from Century Bank and Trust Company, Southeastern Regional School, Plymouth County data processing facility and Blue Hills Regional Technical School data processing facility.

The proposals were to provide various data processing services to automate the following: water bills, real estate tax billing, census reporting, motor vehicle excise tax and payroll.

It is the consensus of the Committee that the eventual computerization of these services could benefit the Town through increased efficiencies. The proposals reviewed offered two types of services, in-house processing on mini-computer equipment, or processing through a service bureau on a batch or time-sharing facility.

The former requires a capital expenditure for equipment as well as an individual knowledgeable in the operation and maintenance of the system. The latter typically requires high annual fees.

The computer technology is currently undergoing a rapid evolution, particularly in the areas of reduced cost and ease of use. Therefore, the Advisory Committee will continue to assist the Town departments in the possible selection of computer services when requested.

Data Processing Advisory Committee  
William R. Brown, Jr.  
Lawrence Conant  
Everett B. Tufts, Jr.

## BOARD OF HEALTH

We the members of the Board of Health submit our report for the year 1982.

The Board received the resignation of Nancy Oliveria, Health Agent and hired Mr. Richard Colvin of Whitman as Health Agent. Mr. Colvin has served on the Whitman Board of Health for many years and is also Health Agent to the Town of Whitman. Mr. Colvin is working for the Town of West Bridgewater on an as needed basis and attends all Board meetings and any meetings, hearings or other functions in the line of the Health Department's function.

Over the past year all complaints pertaining to public health, sewage system installations, both new and repairs, as well as food service establishments, schools and other public facilities were investigated.

The Board held its annual Rabies Clinic, Health Clinics at the Town Hall bi-monthly and clinics for the Elderly at Esther Drive.

The Board's special thanks to the following: To Mr. John Pires, Building Inspector, Anna Brown, Town Clerk, Chief Charles Dyke, The Police Department, Forestry Department, Highway Department, Dog Officer, Board of Selectmen and Mrs. Artie Bucci, and Joan McAndrews, our secretary. All the above mentioned have provided assistance during the past year to our Board.

We have strived to work with members of the Conservation Commission to solve problems of the wetlands concerning Board of Health areas, also the Planning Board in many areas. Our thanks for everyone's cooperation.

The Board meets on the first and third Wednesday of the month. Anyone wishing to be placed on the agenda may call the Town Hall during regular business hours.

Respectfully submitted,  
Edward F. Cruz, Chairman  
Judith A. Kinney, Clerk  
Ronald B. Broman, Member



# REPORT OF THE VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION, INC.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

"Growth" is a one word description of the Bridgewater Visiting Nurse Association during the 1982 fiscal year. Our annual report reflects this growth which has resulted in an expanded staff, an increased case load and an escalating budget.

The early discharge of patients, increasing hospital costs and the therapeutic value of the home setting have contributed to our growth. Staff expansion includes an additional full time Registered Professional Nurse, two Home Health Aides and by contract a Registered Physical Therapist in addition to our regular staff.

Comparison of home health care services for 1981 and 1982 show the following:

	1981	1982
Nursing visits	843	894
Physical therapy visits	79	198
Speech therapy visits	18	11
Medical social worker visits	0	23
Occupational therapy visits	0	31
SCOPE — OT	0	11
Home Health Aide hours	378	1128.5

Monthly health conferences are held for senior citizens at Esther Drive and for the 18 to 60 year old age group and those who cannot attend daytime conferences an evening health conference is held at the Headquarters, Bridgewater Visiting Nurse Association, Cottage Street, Bridgewater.

Clinics—the professional staff and volunteers from the Board of Directors have assisted with the health conferences and clinics for hypertension, lead poisoning, diabetes, glaucoma, influenza and TB Mantoux testing.

Community services—include two sessions each month sponsored by the Board of Health, Town Hall for all residents of West Bridgewater.

Contracts—have been made with Brockton Homemaker, Easter Seal, Catholic Charities, SCOPE (Brockton Area Multi Service) for therapists and home health aides; with Johnson Rents for sick room equipment and supplies and with Stephen Snow, registered physical therapist.

Accreditation—the agency is fully certified by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Public Health.

Administration—there is a volunteer Board of Directors (24) and a volunteer Group of Professional Personnel, representing local business and professional men and women and consumers from Bridgewater and West Bridgewater.

Professional staff—includes Ann Kirkpatrick, BSN, supervisor; Margaret Evers, BSN, alternate supervisor; Hilary Hamilton, BSN; Jane Deubler, BSN; Jeannette Irving, RN, BS; Sharon Bowdren, BSN; and Patricia Urban, RN; are our registered professional nurses. Our Home Health Aides are Mary Cuniff and Joanne Johnson. Phyllis Rose is our secretary-clerk and Phillip Casey is billing clerk.

Respectfully submitted,  
Eleanore D. MacCurdy  
President

## ATTENTION

Residents of Bridgewater and West Bridgewater may now take advantage of EVENING HEALTH CONFERENCES offered by the Bridgewater Visiting Nurse Association at headquarters, Cottage Street, especially for ages 18 to 60 the second Wednesday of each month from 7:00 to 8:00 P.M. Services include diabetic and hypertension screening, nutrition and diet counseling, health promotion, and a current evaluation. There is NO CHARGE and NO APPOINTMENT is necessary.

### BROCKTON AREA MULTI SERVICES, INC.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of West Bridgewater:

The Bridgewater Counseling Center is a satellite program of Brockton Area Multi-Services, Inc. During 1982, it provided counseling, training and educational services to the West Bridgewater community.

Seven hundred and Seventy-nine West Bridgewater residents have availed themselves of various services at the Center over the past year. One hundred and sixty-five resident contacts with the Center expanded into various supportive and counseling services for 495 West Bridgewater residents, involving the following age categories: 34 from ages 0 to 17; 425 from ages 18 to 60; 17 from ages 60 to 64 and 19 from ages 65 plus. In addition, 284 residents took part in a variety of other consultive and educational opportunities.

Services provided are: individual, couples, family, group therapy and supportive counseling as well as seminars on stress management, parenting, substance abuse and career planning.

The Center also has been available to the school department. A staff Clinical Social Worker has worked on an on-going basis with the Headstart Program for purposes of consultation and training.

Bridgewater Counseling Center is in the process of recruiting a licensed psychologist with expertise in diagnostic testing of children. This will further enlarge the range of services offered by the Center.

Our Center is open for appointments Monday to Thursday, 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM; Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
John T. McEnaney, LICSW  
Program Director

## SELF-HELP, INCORPORATED

Report to the Town of West Bridgewater.

Self-Help, Inc. is Greater Brockton's anti-poverty agency dedicated to improving the quality of life of limited-income individuals and families, and making all segments of the community responsive to the needs of limited-income, disadvantaged and minority needs.

During the program year ending September 30, 1982, Self-Help, Inc. received a total funding of \$10,294,302 and provided 351,835 direct services to the area's limited-income individuals and families.

West Bridgewater residents received 856 direct services totaling \$101,215 during our program year.

The total funding of \$10 million does not tell the real value of human services delivered to the area as a whole. Self-Help's funding enabled us to mobilize an additional \$787,298 of other community resources such as CETA, Commonwealth Service Corps, and local City and Town contributions as well as volunteers. The gross volume of Self-Help, Inc. during the past program year was \$11.1 million.

Self-Help currently employs 203 individuals, many of whom are limited-income and minorities.

We feel that the program year 10/1/81 to 9/30/82 was a successful one for Self-Help, Inc., and very helpful to our limited-income population. We thank the area's Board of Selectmen, town volunteers and the Selectmen's representative, Charles E. Baker, to our Board of Directors for helping to make our program a success.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ulysses G. Shelton, Jr.  
Executive Director



## REPORT OF THE PLYMOUTH COUNTY MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT

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The Commissioners of the Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project are pleased to submit the following report for 1982.

The Project is comprised of 21 Plymouth County Towns, the City of Brockton, and the town of Cohasset (Norfolk County). In all, approximately 350,000 people in an area of 621 square miles are served through an integrated, multi-faceted approach to mosquito control. The sweeping revisions in the program, begun in 1982, are nearly complete, and are resulting in safer and more effective control despite the lack of inflationary increases in funding for six years.

1982 was relatively wet, and mosquito populations were higher in many areas than in 1981. To provide relief, 289,000 acres were treated by truck-mounted Ultra-low volume aerosol sprayers. Standing water that could be reached on foot was treated to control breeding. 2,459 man hours were expended checking and treating such areas. In addition, 4,094 storm sewer catch basins were treated in areas where they hold water.

During August of 1982, the Project acquired a small airplane for spraying large mosquito breeding areas that cannot be reached on foot. This acquisition will be a most significant factor in improving mosquito control while decreasing the already low hazard to humans. Only insecticides classified by the EPA as "relatively non-toxic" will be used, and then only over swamps, marshes, and other wet breeding areas—not over residences.

During the cold months, field crews removed obstructions from 142,000 linear feet of ditches and streams to prevent backups and the resultant mosquito breeding pools. Very little excavation work was performed by hydraulic backhoe during 1982 to divert funds to the purchase of a new backhoe unit and a truck to transport the tractor. Backhoe work will resume during the spring of 1983. Due to the large number of requests received for such work, future projects must be evaluated solely on the basis of efficacy in controlling mosquitos.

To an increasing extent, use of chemicals in controlling mosquitos will be based on hard numerical data received through various surveillance methods carried out by our fieldmen, entomologists, and local volunteers. The result will be more selective, judicious, and timely treatments. An increase in "larvaciding" will mean a decrease in "fogging" of residential areas. Finally, the Project is planning to develop its own arbovirus surveillance program in light of recent outbreaks of Eastern Equine Encephalitis.

We wish to thank the citizens and personnel of our member municipalities for their cooperation during the past year.



# INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I respectfully submit my annual report for the year 1982.

Dairy Herds . . . . .	6
Cows age 2 and over . . . . .	390
Heifers 1 to 2 . . . . .	71
Calves under 1 year . . . . .	33
Bulls and steers . . . . .	4
Beef Herds . . . . .	7
Number of beef cattle . . . . .	9
Goat Herds . . . . .	12
Number of goats . . . . .	46
Sheep Herds . . . . .	10
Number of sheep . . . . .	49
Swine Herds . . . . .	5
Number of swine . . . . .	312
Number of Horses . . . . .	72
Number of Ponies . . . . .	16
Number of Dog bites reported to Animal Inspector for Quarantine . . . . .	5

Respectfully submitted,

Leo E. Moroni  
Inspector of Animals

## DOG OFFICER

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of West Bridgewater:

I respectfully submit the report of the dog officer from December 1, 1982 to January 20, 1983.

Dogs Impounded . . . . .	188
Owners Claimed . . . . .	91
Dogs Turned Over to Adoption Center and Adopted to New Owners . . . . .	84
Dogs Destroyed . . . . .	13
Injured or Killed on Roadways . . . . .	5
Animals or Fowl Killed by Dogs . . . . .	20
Dog Bites are Reported to Animal Inspector	

At this time I would like to express my appreciation to the citizens of West Bridgewater for their cooperation and a special thanks to the police department for their assistance, and Judith Kinney of the Board of Health for her assistance, and the West Bridgewater Veterinary Hospital for prompt treatment of injured animals.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Vivace, Dog Officer  
Canine Control Department

## INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The W.B.I.D.F.A. was involved with numerous inquiries this year on what Industrial Development Bonds are.

An IDB is a tax-exempt bond issued by state, county, and local government authorities to help private companies finance the purchase of fixed assets, or plants and equipment. Because lenders in such a tax-exempt transaction do not have to pay federal taxes on the interest they earn from the loan, they can in turn lend money to the growing firm at a lower interest rate, usually about 70% of the prime rate.

They can be used for industrial or commercial projects. Companies using IDBs for industrial purposes usually add new plants and equipment to expand manufacturing, warehouse and research and development operations. Commercial projects vary but generally consist of the construction or rehabilitation of office and retail space.

Two applicants received bond financing through this authority in 1982. The first was a \$3,000,000 bond granted to R.H. Wyner Associates of Stoughton to relocate their operations on 38+ acres they acquired on Manley Street. They are involved in the production of laminated and flocked products, processing machinery, computer hardware and related products.

Turner Steel was our second applicant and received a bond issue in the amount of \$225,000 to add 12,000 square feet more of warehouse space to their new business and office facilities.

The entire small issue bond program is to be terminated on December 31, 1986 unless Congress acts to preserve it. We recognize its usefulness and hope that more area development will be accomplished before that date arrives.

Respectfully submitted,  
Madelyn T. Burke, Chairman  
Raymond E. Chace  
Donald L. MacIver  
Joseph L. McMorrow  
Robert L. Smith

## BUILDING INSPECTOR

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby submit the annual report of the Building Inspector for the year 1982.

Single Family Dwellings	21	\$849,000.00
Additions and Alterations	38	131,430.00
Mobile Homes	6	243,870.00
Garages and Car	12	67,900.00
Accessory Buildings	10	10,095.00
Swimming Pools	14	59,450.00
Chimneys and Fireplaces	3	2,400.00
Siding	2	8,500.00
Club House Addition	1	3,500.00
Temporary Office Trailer	1	48,000.00
New Business	8	120,000.00
Business Additions and Alterations	10	247,000.00
New Industrial Buildings	1	980,000.00
Signs	24	7,385.00
Demolition Homes	3	
Demolition Garage and Sheds	8	
Demolition School	1	
Trailer Moved Out of Town	1	
Wood and Coal Stoves	26	
TOTALS	<u>190</u>	<u>\$2,778,630.00</u>

I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, Fire Chief Charles A. Dyke, my co-workers in the Town Hall and all other Town Department personnel for the cooperation and assistance given to me.

Respectfully submitted,

John A. Pires  
Building Inspector



## INSPECTOR OF WIRES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I respectfully submit my annual report as the Inspector of Wires for the year of 1982.

Electric Services . . . . .	86
Rough Wires . . . . .	40
Electric Ranges . . . . .	6
Electric Dryers . . . . .	5
Electric Water Heaters . . . . .	10
Construction Services . . . . .	19
Oil Burners . . . . .	9
Add Outlets . . . . .	16
Pools . . . . .	12
Not Accepted . . . . .	2
Miscellaneous . . . . .	11
Finals . . . . .	18
Alarm Systems . . . . .	3
Locked Premises . . . . .	3
Electric Heat . . . . .	6
Fire Calls . . . . .	3

The latest edition of the Massachusetts State Electrical Code used as a basis for all inspections.

My thanks to the Board of Selectmen, the Building Inspector, and the Townspeople for all assistance given this department.

Respectfully submitted,

Albert M. Greiner  
Inspector of Wires

## INSPECTOR OF GAS FITTING

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby respectfully submit my annual report for the year 1982.

There were 74 gas applications filed for gasfitting permits for the year.

There were 91 gasfitting inspections made in the following types of buildings:

New Dwellings	2
Old Dwellings	50
Commercial Buildings	13
Public Buildings	5

There were 101 gas appliances installed.

There were 4 propane gas installations.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joseph F. Donovan  
Inspector of Gasfitting

## INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING

To the Honorable Board of Health:

I respectfully submit my annual report as the Inspector of Plumbing for the year 1982.

There were 99 plumbing applications filed for plumbing permits.

There were 143 plumbing inspections made in the following types of buildings:

New Dwellings	16
Old Dwellings	51
Commercial Buildings	16
Public Buildings	5
Trailers	11

There were 42 water heaters installed.

The Massachusetts State Plumbing Code is used as a basis for all plumbing installations.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joseph F. Donovan  
Inspector of Plumbing

## INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Despite the fact that 1982 was a recession year, West Bridgewater showed considerable industrial and commercial growth.

Permits in the total of \$980,000.00 were issued for new industrial buildings and new commercial buildings and alterations totaled \$415,000.00 for a combined amount of \$1,395,000.00 which is \$678,280.00 greater than in 1981.

We wish to thank the Board of Selectmen and other Boards and individuals who assisted in making West Bridgewater grow.

Industrial Development Commission

Robert Bowman  
C. Robert Bystrom  
Charles Higgins  
Donald MacIver  
Leon Beaulieu  
Frank Miller  
George Hollertz

## ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Zoning Board of Appeals respectfully submits its Annual Report for 1982.

During 1982 the Board of Appeals conducted fourteen (14) public hearings: thirteen (13) were requests for variances dealing with the Zoning By-Law, and one (1) was a Special Permit request. The Board granted twelve (12), denied one (1), and one (1) was allowed to withdraw without prejudice. One (1) decision was challenged to a higher court and three (3) cases remained open in the courts from the previous year. These four (4) cases have been settled with the decisions of the Board of Appeals remaining unchanged.

Respectfully submitted,

William E. Turner, Jr., Chairman  
Harry Pierson, Jr., Vice-Chairman  
Diana Lothrop, Clerk  
Henry Podlosky, member  
George Merritt, member  
Harry Ketler, alternate member  
Robert Miskinis, alternate member



## BY-LAW STUDY COMMITTEE

The By-Law Study Committee has reviewed the town's zoning by-laws which were adopted in 1956 and revised in 1980.

Particular attention was attended to Protective Zoning By-Law XXVI, sections 1-14.

The chairman of the Old Colony Planning Council was invited to talk to the Study Committee regarding existing by-laws and how any changes can complement the council's planning strategy.

Memoes were sent to town departments to see if they had any proposals of viable suggestions that could lend themselves to by-law updating.

Proposals and recommendations of the study committee will be forthcoming for review by the Planning Committee in 1983.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Colandrea, Chairman  
Greta Bohanon, Vice Chairman  
Stuart Young, Clerk  
Roger Cohelo  
Donald Kennedy

## SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The following is the report of the Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year of 1982.

Scales Under 10 Pounds . . . . .	31
Scales Under 100 Pounds . . . . .	19
Scales Over 100 Pounds . . . . .	14
Scales Over 10,000 Pounds . . . . .	1
Gasoline Pumps . . . . .	79
Weights . . . . .	47
Vehicle Tanks . . . . .	1
Package Reweighing . . . . .	210
Unit Pricing . . . . .	63
Returned in Fees to Town . . . . .	\$559.40

Respectfully submitted,

Warren A. Turner  
Sealer of Weights and Measures

## THE TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The year 1982 has been a time of deep concern, particularly in regard to the necessary cancellation of the Children's Story Hour and the Children's Summer Reading Program. Fortunately, when made aware of this, the Friends of the Library volunteered to undertake the scheduling of the summer program. We are indebted to them for their help and support. An invitation is extended to all townspeople to become a part, active or inactive, of this group. Please call the library for information concerning this fine organization.

Additional shelving was purchased for the library. Mrs. Ouderkirk and her staff should be highly commended for their undertaking the difficult task of rearranging the library floor plan. We are very pleased with the end result.

Duplicate copies of paperback books have been donated to the library at the J.O.Y. Center, also a selected number of duplicate copies of hardcover titles were sent to the library at the Bridgewater Correctional Institution. Metal file cabinets not in use have been loaned to the West Bridgewater High School Library.

Overdue library materials are always an issue. Borrowers are held responsible. Revised copies of the Patrons Policy are available in the library.

A Massachusetts State Flag and a United States Flag have been received. The donations were made possible through the offices of the Massachusetts State Representatives and the State Senate. These flags will be on display in the Public Library.

Two resignations were received during the past year. We thank both Carollee Ferris and Patricia Cronin for their contribution to the growth of the library.

The Trustees want to thank the townspeople for their continued support and a special thank you to our Librarian and her staff for their cooperation and effort to make our library an enjoyable part of our town.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Perkins, Secretary  
Wayne Legge, Chairman  
Bruce Edson  
Michael Manugian  
Hillary Murray  
Helen Millett  
Barbara Perkins

## REPORT OF LIBRARIAN

To the Trustees of the Public Library:

### STATISTICS

Circulation	29,520
New Cards Issued	292
Total Card Holders	3,916
Collection	31,973 Books
	738 Records
	61 Magazine Subscriptions

The initial effect of staff and schedule reductions was a sharp drop in circulation. However, after the first six months of the year, the figures began to stabilize and have now begun to show an increase.

Marilyn Raleigh, Technical Services Assistant, reported an annual increase of 21% in Interlibrary Loan materials received.

Lisa Bucci, who substituted while Nancy Bell was on leave during the later part of the year completed the master file for the Taunton Subregional Union List of Periodicals.

Ms. Bell, CETA employee Carolyn Foley, volunteer Helen Millet, along with Bonnie Bottcher completed our backlog of filing, and James Raleigh inventoried our periodical collection.

The Friends of the Library have organized a continuing series of Crafts Programs which are very popular, and plans are being made for a Travelogue Series.

Our major project of the year was the change of our floor plan. Six new bookcases were purchased with interest from the Curtis Fund, resulting in the reorganization of the juvenile collection.

My thanks to the Board, the staff, and our patrons for continuing encouragement and support of your Public Library.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Ouderkirk, M.L.S.  
Librarian



# **TRUSTEES FOR PLYMOUTH COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE**

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**By Mary M. McBrady, Director**

The Plymouth County Cooperative Extension Service's office is located on High Street, Hanson, and can be reached by calling 293-5946 or 746-0053.

## **STAFF**

Our staff is comprised of a Director, two Regional Agricultural Specialists, a Community Development Specialist, two Home Economists, three 4-H Agents, one part-time 4-H & Home Horticultural Agent and four clerical staff.

In addition to our County Staff, we administer a Nutritional Educational Program for limited-income families in Plymouth County. EFNEP, staffed by one nutritionist and nine nutrition assistants, is located at 32 Belmont Street, Brockton. This program is funded by Federal Nutrition Funds, through the University of Massachusetts, our Land-Grant College. A monthly nutrition newsletter can be sent to you by calling the Brockton Office at 583-2545 or 583-2598. Presently, 30 subscribe from your town.

In our traditional 4-H Program, we have 1,132 members with 22,944 other youth participating in our short-term and school programs. The 1980 population of Plymouth County schools was 86,443. This means that 26.5% of the Plymouth County youth have been involved in our programs this year.

In your town, West Bridgewater, there were 438 youth that participated in these programs.

The Home Economics Department has a monthly newsletter, Extension Post, with 1,300 subscribers. Call the Extension Service to be placed on the mailing list.

In addition, free bulletins on food preservation, vegetable gardening, nutrition, insect problems, community resource listings and many more are available by calling, writing or stopping by the Plymouth County Extension Service at High Street, Hanson. We continue to test soil, free of charge, for Plymouth County residents. Our Home Economist will also check your pressure cooker gauge.

Contact your Town Director, Clifford Carlson, for the County Cooperative Extension Service with any suggestions or requests.

**Mary M. McBrady,  
Director**

## REPORT OF THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Committee and Staff members of the 1982 Summer Recreation Program would like to report that the 1982 summer program was a rewarding experience for all those involved. Under the direction of Pat Kelley and Assistant Evelyn Jollymore, the young children of West Bridgewater were offered a diversified program with something of interest for all youngsters.

Arts and Crafts, Field Trips (5), team and quiet games, ping-pong contests and games of low organization were all enjoyed during this year's six week program. A couple of events that were particularly popular were visits to the Stone Zoo, the Airport and the J.F.K. Library.

The Committee is grateful to the directors and their aides, Doreen Langer, Tony Vallon and Rosemary Bessette, and to CETA aides John McGrath, who was with us the whole summer, and Richard Valle who was with us the last few weeks, for a fine summer.

The Recreation Department would like to thank the townspeople for their continued support of the summer program and to especially thank the West Bridgewater School Department and the West Bridgewater Police Department for their cooperation.

On December 25, 1982, the Recreation Department lost a much beloved member of its Staff. Robert Dwyer's help, love, interest and support will be greatly and sadly missed by all.

Respectfully submitted,

MaryLou Jenness  
Ethel Fisher  
Joseph Vallon  
Camie Preston

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The street trees of a town are the heritage of its people. Your Tree Warden stands as a trustee for the people to preserve and develop that heritage. This role often brings him into contact with commercial contractors, public utility arborists and engineers from power and gas companies as they strive to serve the public in their special way. Any conflict must be resolved in the public interest. Frequently the Tree Warden functions as a go-between in resolving public relations questions. His contact with the scientific world through the state university and his contacts with the practical world through other colleagues both serve to keep his skills up-to-date in an ever changing world.

As an employee and representative of the people of West Bridgewater, I have strived to provide a sound, uniform tree policy with quality workmanship. To accomplish the work schedule in 1982, the department's experienced employees have aptly handled all the tasks laid before them.

A total of 104 trees were removed along town streets. Many street trees have been weakened by factors related to their site-such as too much asphalt, trunk injuries, cut roots from excavations and narrow tree belts. Another factor which has weakened our roadside trees here in the Northeast, especially the maple species, is the increasing use of salt in ice removal programs on our highways. This department, in its tree planting program, is now planting shade trees which are fairly resistant to salt injury.

All street trees were sprayed at least once for insect control and in many areas, two applications were applied. The Gypsy Moth in 1982 continued to defoliate many trees, both along the roadsides and in the forests but it appears that this pest is now starting to be on the decline.

War Memorial Park, 13 town greens and 6 town-owned cemeteries were regularly fertilized, mowed and trimmed during the growing season. Legion Memorial baseball field was also fertilized, mowed and trimmed by this department.

During the winter months, the department's two platform trucks co-operate with the Highway Department during snow and ice emergencies. The majority of all repairs and maintenance to the Forestry Department vehicles and power tools is undertaken by the department employees. Because of this, there are less breakdowns, allows the equipment to operate efficiently and lessens depreciation.

As Tree Warden, I wish to express my sincere appreciation to all members of this department for their cooperation and faithfulness in carrying out their



duties under tight budget restrictions. Also, to all other Town departments and Officials who in the past year have given of themselves and their equipment whenever requested.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas B. MacQuinn  
Tree Warden

## WEST BRIDGEWATER HOUSING AUTHORITY

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen of West Bridgewater:

We hereby submit the annual report of the West Bridgewater Housing Authority.

The West Bridgewater Housing Authority is again trying to obtain funding for additional elderly housing in our community. It was deemed advisable by the Housing Board to apply for funds from the office of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Consequently an application for funds for sixty-four (64) additional units was submitted.

In December a communication was received from the HUD office to the effect that our application had been reviewed and our application was ranked in the "excellent" category in our marketing area. Funds have not been received by HUD for allocation in the Public Housing Program in Massachusetts, but if sufficient funds become available for the West Bridgewater Housing Authority to be selected, we will be notified.

The turn-over in the Elderly housing at D'Arpino is negligible, with the Authority having only one (1) vacancy in the past year, for this reason we feel that additional is essential.

Permission was also asked of the State office of Communities and Development to purchase the land being made available by the Penn. R.R., but this was refused.

In November, the Esther Drive Association tenants sponsored a party to note the tenth anniversary of the opening of the project, with Mrs. Louis D'Arpino as a special guest. All previous Board members were also invited.



The Housing Board wishes to take this opportunity to thank the West Bridgewater Police, Fire and Highway Departments for their assistance in the past year. Also the Bridgewater Visiting Nurse Association who sponsor a blood-pressure clinic on the fourth Thursday of each month at Esther Drive for all senior citizens of West Bridgewater.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy A. Holmgren, Secretary  
Albert M. Greiner, Chairman  
Richard C. Williams, Vice-Chairman  
Carl R. Bystrom, Treasurer  
Robert L. Kellie, Asst. Treasurer  
Armen A. Amerigian, State-Appointed  
Member

### COUNCIL ON AGING

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Despite the slings and arrows of a sometimes outrageous fortune, the Council on Aging has weathered with success this our first year in our new Senior Center quarters located in the former Spring Street School. We are very pleased to report to you that this our first year has been an unqualified success in terms of providing the services that the Council on Aging is mandated to provide to all senior citizens within our community.

Shortly after our last annual report was submitted, the COA was notified that it was the recipient of a Title III Grant from the Department of Elder Affairs to be administered through Old Colony Planning Council, Area Agency on Aging, in the amount of \$7,250. These funds were allocated for the operation of the new senior center and included funds to help start the expansion of our lunch program from two days to three days a week. Our lunch program operates two days a week under the direction of Mrs. Beverly Reynolds, School Lunch Program Director, and one day a week under the sponsorship of the Council on Aging. We have expanded from a program with an average of fifty to sixty participants to a lunch program that averages eighty to ninety seniors each meal day. We are extremely pleased that we will be able to continue this program on a year round basis; with the Council on Aging providing the meals when school is not in session or on summer vacation.

Caring and helping have been the watch words for our program from the very beginning. Our philosophy is that we must try to meet the needs of seniors to the very best of our abilities and resources. Sometimes those resources are tempered with some creativity and some ingenuity to get the maximum benefit from each dollar spent on services for our senior citizens. Our staff at the center is most able and most compassionate in meeting the many needs of our seniors. Eleanor Lindsay serves as our Coordinator and in her most caring and proficient and efficient manner guides those seniors with a problem through the complex and often bewildering maze of red tape and paperwork. Sometimes, she just spends a few minutes talking with the senior for reassurance in some situation. "Ellie", a senior herself, is the senior citizens most able advocate, and a most valuable and vital part of our program and its commitment to all our seniors. Eileen Beane, Kitchen Coordinator, is one reason the participant number of Fridays has increased. "Lee" is a very capable cook and receives many compliments for her tasty and healthful meals. Both Ellie and Lee are Senior Aides assigned to the Council on Aging Senior Center. Their salaries are paid through Old Colony Elderly Services, Inc. which administers the Senior Aide Program which is funded through the Department of Labor under Title V. Our only other paid staff person is Patricia McCarthy, Nutrition Aide. Pat manages to make the most of each day at the center and is always ready and willing to assist in whatever way she can. Her services are paid through the Title III Grant. The remainder of our staff is entirely volunteer! Beth Burgess, COA Chairman, serves as the Senior Center Director. Her duties include supervising the paid staff, working with the volunteers, maintaining all reports and record keeping systems, seeking funding through the granting process, working closely with JOY President Judy Kinney to insure smooth delivery of programming and services, and a general responsibility for the center and its activities. Kathleen Fenstermaker volunteers in the COA office; Alphee Surette delivers meals on wheels several days a week, leads the line dancing classes and coordinates the cribbage tournaments as well as helping with volunteer transportation if needed; Robert Alger, John Large, and Gordon Ross are most valuable volunteers as they take care of our center by keeping it clean and tidy; Samuel Fineberg, Elmer Walker, and Donald Fisher lend a strong hand in the kitchen cleanup each meal day; Sandra Bottcher, Mary Lou Jeness, and Evelyn Jollymore assist in the very popular Tuesday afternoon Bingo for senior citizens; John Rosnell, George McGuire, Eleanor Lindsay, and Susan Rocculo provide transportation whenever needed for our seniors — often their services go beyond transporting seniors, they provide a listening ear, a friendly reassurance that someone cares. These fine folks are the very heart of our success. People helping people is what it is all about. Their combined hours of volunteer service amount to several thousands of dollars each month in in-kind services. We are very grateful and extremely thankful to know that they consider themselves as part of our team effort. Unselfishness and commitment to serving others characterizes them all. Thank you all!

In the past year, the COA has formed an excellent working partnership with JOY, Just Older Youth, a support group of private citizens joined together to help raise funds in support of senior programs and activities. JOY as it has affectionately come to be known is an integral part of the life of our senior center as it draws together a number of people from varying backgrounds and interests and experiences into a common bond and goal — to insure the continuation of a senior center as the focal point of activity for the senior citizens of the community. JOY, under the able leadership of Mrs. Judy Kinney, invites you to become a part of its very caring and active membership.

The majority of our seniors are active and vital people. We are very thankful for this. A number of our seniors, a growing number each year, need us — need the support and the services we can provide to enable them to continue to be independent in an increasingly complex and often costly way of life. To insure each senior's right to live according to their own wishes with a little help from friends from time to time or on a continuing basis is the crux of our task. By the time we become involved in the life of a senior, there are often difficulties, problems of life and living that cannot be coped with. This is where we can intervene; where the COA can provide emergency or crisis level support and services. Such services can be information and/or referral, chore, homemaker, home health aide services, meals on wheels, legal, nutritional, and educational and recreational opportunities; counseling, and many other services of specific interest to the seniors. The Council on Aging cares about its senior friends and works to help where and when it can.

On February 13, 1983, the First Anniversary Celebration of the West Bridgewater Senior Citizen Center or as it has come to be known, the JOY Center, was held. This was an opportunity for the entire community to see what we do there. Along with our three day a week meal program, line dancing, cribbage tournaments, exercise groups, ceramics classes, JOY meetings, West Bridgewater Senior Citizens Club, afternoon Bingo, free lending library with several hundred books, a JOY Thrift Shop, a JOY Gift Shop, TV and Game room, there is a welcome mat that signals the center is always open as a drop-in center for all senior citizens. We invite you to visit us! Take our measure; and perhaps, you, too, will be captured by the spirit of helping others, and stay to help!!

Finally, a special note of thanks to the Council members who have supported our efforts in this past year. We especially note with regret, the resignation of Mrs. Virginia Michael, who has served faithfully as our Treasurer and as a volunteer with our health clinics. Her presence will be missed! And to all who have



participated in the continuing work of our common commitment to provide access to services for our senior citizens through our senior center programming, a most heartfelt thank you.

Respectfully,

Beth Burgess, Chairman  
Virginia Michael, Treasurer  
Susan Puffer, Vice-Chairman  
Kathleen Fenstermaker, Secretary  
Winnifred Manzer  
David Cohen  
Kenneth Hollis  
Eileen Beane  
Lloyd A. Sears  
Marjorie MacDonald  
Samuel Feinberg  
Elmer Walker  
Phoebe Burnham, Associate Member

## **WEST BRIDGEWATER ENERGY CONSERVATION COMMITTEE**

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To The Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby submit the annual report of the West Bridgewater Energy Conservation Committee for the year of 1982.

Town-owned Municipal Buildings have continued to conserve energy. Town Hall through the efforts of John Pires, Board of Selectmen, and all Town Employees have saved 18% on heating and another 13% on Lighting over 1981 costs. This adds up to an overall savings from 1978 to 1982 of 43% on Heating. An equivalent dollar savings of approximately \$5,714. Lighting shows an overall saving for this same period, 1978 to 1982, of 18%. This amounts to approximately \$460. annually. Heating and Lighting show total savings of \$6,174 annually.

The Police and Fire Station through the efforts of Fire Chief Dyke, Police Chief Lothrop, Board of Selectmen, all Firefighters, and all members of the Police Department have saved 3% on heating and 10% on Lighting over 1981 costs. Several E.C.M.'s are being considered when the State Facilities Program starts its 1983 Grant Program.



The West Bridgewater Library cannot be tracked for savings, as it is heated and powered via the High School. A Technical Audit is now in progress. This is a 100% Grant from the State Facilities Program, made possible by the efforts of Librarian, Jane P. Ouderkirk and the entire Library staff.

Through the efforts of Selectman Charles H. Johnson, John B. Sillars, Chairman of Street Lighting Committee and his entire committee Street lighting was reduced by 20% of the total light fixtures. This change reduced the Kilo Watt useage by 30%. This will reflect a savings of 30% in dollars. The streets in most cases are better illuminated with this Energy Conservation measure.

I would like to thank all the people who have assisted this committee in so many ways. Special thanks to committee members for their efforts and expertise in making this Energy Conservation Program a success.

Respectfully submitted,

George A. Miller, Chairman  
Doris Haight, Secretary  
Ervin G. Lothrop, Police Chief  
Charles Dyke, Fire Chief  
Charles H. Johnson, Selectman  
Eldon F. Moreira, Selectman  
John Sillars  
John Pires  
Leo Moroni  
Howard Miles  
Peter Diman

## SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL

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Southeastern Regional School District is represented from the Town of West Bridgewater by Eugene Kostecki. There are eight towns and the City of Brockton involved in this regional effort which provides students with occupational training leading directly to jobs.

The present officers of the Southeastern Regional School District Committee are Eugene Kostecki, of West Bridgewater, Chairman; Charles W. McDonald, of Norton, Vice-Chairman; and Stanley B. Goldman, of East Bridgewater, Secretary.

There are 25 occupational programs offered at the high school level. The high school enrollment is 1,281. There are six occupational programs offered at the post-secondary level; enrollment is 173. A total of 1,454 students attend the day program at Southeastern.

Students from the participating communities number as follows:

Brockton	744	Norton	54
East Bridgewater	68	Sharon	82
Easton	107	Stoughton	171
Foxborough	92	West Bridgewater	61
Mansfield	73	Out of District	2

Because of economic conditions, the evening school has become self-supporting. Since individuals now pay the total cost of the training, enrollment has been affected slightly.

The high school job placement program placed 90% of the 1982 graduating class. Job locating and/or placement is available to past graduates as well as to each graduating class. The Technical Institute placement program enjoyed a 97.3% placement of the students graduating from all programs in the school year 1982-83. Over the last five years, placement at the Technical Institute has been 98.6%.

The special needs program is served, in part, by the three-regional-school collaborative. The collaborative is comprised of Southeastern, Old Colony and Bristol-Plymouth Regional School Districts.

Southeastern continues to explore innovative methods of conducting the process of education at minimal cost to the taxpayers of the District. A survey of the facts available indicates that the cost of operating the Southeastern Regional School District is among the lowest in the state.

In the interests of economy, a change from heating by oil to gas heat was made during the year 1981.

The athletic programs offered during the year are at the varsity level only, due to the constraints of Proposition 2½.

An evaluation of the school facilities and programs was conducted by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. Southeastern was given a five-year accreditation, subject to an extension to ten years.

Nearly 200 students were participants in the cooperative work program during the 1981-82 school year.

The Southeastern Regional School District Committee and the Teachers' Federation, Local 1849, reached an agreement and executed a three-year contract which runs through August of 1984.

Respectfully,

Eugene Kostecki

### CONSERVATION COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:  
and the Citizens of West Bridgewater

The members of the Conservation Commission respectfully submit the annual report for the year 1982.

This year, as in previous years, we have noticed a big increase in the work load of trying to preserve our wetlands, as building increases, so does the demands on using this type of environment increase.

We have had to send out 17 letters in regard to the Wetlands Protection Act.

Out of our 24 regular meetings, with 3 special meetings, we have had to deal with 119 separate actions.

We have 15 Notice of Intents issued with 17 hearings, as two had continuations of a hearing. Out of these hearings, 13 Orders of Conditions were given, 2 being carried into 1983. Out of these Orders of Conditions, we sent out 5 letters enforcing them with 3 extensions given, as the work was not completed within 1 year of issuance. 5 Cease and Desist orders were given as a result of violations of the Order of Conditions.

8 field inspection trips were made, resulting in 7 Determinations given. 5 Determinations were given without field trips as we, as a Board, were aware of the areas in question. Upon completion of a project, 6 Request of Compliance were asked for, of which 2 were given, the others were not given because of a problem or two that had to be corrected. Sometimes a Notice of Intent with the formality of a hearing is not needed whereas we gave out 10 cover letters to cover their problems.

We had 1 case in Litigation this year as a failure to comply with the Wetlands Act.

The major projects the town has had are the building of the Shawmut Mills on Manley Street which, after some difficulty, proceeded very well. Also, the Mobile Home Park, which is an ongoing project, also has had their share of problems.

We would like to say at this time, the various departments of the town of West Bridgewater, have worked very closely together to help solve our problems of which we have had many. So to the Planning Board, Board of Health, Building Inspector, Board of Assessors, Highway Department and the Honorable Board of Selectmen, we say thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

Howard M. Hayward, Chairman  
Linda L. Greene, Vice-Chairman  
John Dacey, Clerk  
Hugh Hurley  
Grete Bohannon  
Thomas Driscoll  
Joseph Souza



## REPORT OF THE OFFICE OF VETERANS' SERVICES

To the Board of Selectmen:

This year fifty three veterans and dependents were assisted by Veteran Services. Twenty one received financial and medical aid and thirty two were assisted with filing V.A. Questionnaires, V.A. Pensions, V.A. Compensation, inquiries into V.A. claims and reporting change of income to the Veterans Administration in order to adjust pension payments.

Four V.A. Pensions and two Widow Pensions were filed, as of this date one Widows Pension was approved.

Refunds to the town came from Blue Cross Blue Shield, Social Security Disability and reimbursement from assignment cases for a total of \$2947.40.

A list of all persons receiving Veteran Service benefits during this year were reported to the Department of Revenue as required by law. The names were fed into a computer for the purpose of a review to check the accuracy of information provided by recipients of Veterans' benefits and to take appropriate action against those persons who are in receipt of Veterans Service benefits to which they are not entitled.

Respectfully submitted

Armen Amerigian, Veterans Agent

## REPORT OF THE ARTS LOTTERY COUNCIL

Because of lack of funds in 1982 no meetings were held by the West Bridge-water Arts Lottery Council. If funds should become available in 1983 the Council will be reconvened and action will be taken.

Respectfully submitted,  
Roland Nadeau  
Patrick B. Bell  
Ruth D'Ambrosio  
Joseph Linehan  
Lorraine A. Piver

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**WEST BRIDGEWATER**  
**SCHOOL DEPARTMENT**

The Town elections of April, 1982 returned Mrs. Betty Ann Miller to her seat on the Committee and elected Mr. Robert Bourne to replace the retiring Mr. Frank Teixeira. We sincerely thank Frank for his great contributions and service to the Town and the School System.

At the annual reorganization meeting, Leo Cronin was elected chairman and Mr. Tom Kelley was elected vice-chairman.

During the year, the Committee concluded contracts with our teachers, administrators, custodians, and secretaries, ensuring continuous and harmonious relationships for the next few years.

The Administration and Committee were able to satisfactorily answer inquiries from the association which accredits our high school. Since our past accreditation, we have made some changes at the high school due to declining enrollment and the fiscal limitations imposed by Proposition 2½. These changes caused some concern with the association, but we have been able to show that the quality of education has been enhanced rather than hurt by these changes.

We have continued to monitor the testing procedures established and are pleased with the successful results in state mandated basic competency tests and the above average performance of our students in the SAT college board tests.

We have extended the current contract for busing of students for two additional years. Some changes in busing have been made over the past two years in order to effect cost savings required by reduced budgets, but no further changes are anticipated at this time, unless radical budget reductions are mandated by the Town.

A sub-committee has completed a complete review and much needed overhaul of the Committee's policy manual, and presentation of the refined policy manual to the full committee will be made this Spring.

The Committee recently approved an outline for the comprehensive integrating of computer education into our curriculum from grades three through twelve. This long overdue task will introduce our students, on a very basic level, to the computer technology which is rapidly expanding in our lives today, and enable them to more effectively meet the challenges such technology will introduce in the future.

The end of the 1981-1982 school year brought the retirement of Jesse Anderson and Patricia Murphy. The Committee approved the retirements but regrets the loss of these two highly effective teachers and well respected individuals. We join the administration and staff in wishing them future happiness.

The Committee regrets to report the tragic loss to our School System and Town by the death of Robert Dwyer, physical education teacher and coach. Bobby exemplified the dedication of a teacher, not only on a high professional level, but on a deep personal level as well. His devotion to his students was exceeded probably only by their love for him.

Our students continue to excel in academics, athletics, and community service. We can all point with pride at their accomplishments. The Committee wishes to thank the citizens of the Town who continue to help make the West Bridgewater Schools a highly effective education system.

Respectfully submitted:

LEO CRONIN, *Chairman*  
THOMAS KELLEY, *Vice-Chairman*  
PATRICIA ALGER  
BETTY ANN MILLER  
JOSEPH MCMORROW  
ROBERT BOURNE



WEST BRIDGEWATER HIGH SCHOOL

COMMENCEMENT

*Class of 1982*



**CLASS ADVISORS**

Malcolm Reese

Sandra Reese

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

Mr. Leo Cronin, Chairman

Mrs. Patricia Alger

Mr. Thomas Kelley

Mr. Joseph McMorrow

Mrs. Betty Alden Miller

Mr. Robert Bourne

**SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

Dr. John S. Drinkwater

**PRINCIPAL**

S. Erick Benson

**ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL**

J. Michael Janelli

**JUNE 6, AT TWO O'CLOCK**

## CLASS OFFICERS

<i>President</i>	Brenda Berger
<i>Vice President</i>	Nancy Cannizzaro
<i>Secretary</i>	Joyce Grippen
<i>Treasurer</i>	Paul Tyrrell

## CLASS OF 1982

Linda M. Adams  
Scott Michael Adams  
Michael Dominic Altieri  
Jeffrey Keith Ames  
Richard Alan Ames, Jr.  
Tracey Lynn Anderson  
Carol Lynn Anshewitz  
Alicia Marguerite Armstrong  
Lisa Anne Ashley  
Jill Marie Balboni  
Jeffrey Frederick Battista  
Brenda Lee Berger  
Richard G. Bessette  
Paul Michael Bevis  
Wendy Ann Bird  
Ann Marie Boudreau  
Jill Ann Braga  
Richard F. Burke  
Nancy Lee Cannizzaro  
Coreen Marie Catabia  
Marielena Celia  
John Centrella  
Thomas I. Chisholm  
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James Patrick Connelly, Jr.  
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Susan Marie DeArruda  
Scott Anthony DeMolles  
Robert C. Dias  
Barbara Jean DiCorpo  
Doreen Elizabeth DiStefano  
Janet Lynne Dwyer  
Roxann Francene Eaton  
Michael Donovan Feresten, Jr.  
Francis James Filippini  
Donna Jean Finch  
Lauren Ann Finch  
Linda Lorraine Fischer

Patrice Marie Fontaine  
Debra A. Fratus  
Kathleen A. Garvey  
Joyce Mildred Grippen  
John K. Guillemette  
Cheri Marie Gustin  
Kimberly May Hall  
Kenneth M. Hallin  
Jeffrey Charles Hannon  
Kathi Ann Harvey  
Lois Elizabeth Hayes  
Kathleen Shannon Hegarty  
Kathleen Mae Howard  
Raymond Michael Hunt  
Jean Marie Iannitelli  
Donna Jean Inman  
Jody Ann Inman  
Dianna Jo Jollymore  
Jennifer Jones  
Brian Kenneth Kelley  
Judith Ann Ketler  
Caroline Claire Kinney  
Barbara Sue Knight  
Paul L. Lamoureux, Jr.  
Dean Robert Leonard  
Douglas M. Lindquist  
James Michael Linehan  
Laurie Jo Lombardi  
Todd A. Lucini  
Paul David Lynch  
Brian D. MacIver  
Dwayne Nelson MacLean  
Richard F. Martin, Jr.  
Holly McCarthy  
Valerie Ann McLeod  
Cathy Jo Migliorini  
Scott A. Migliorini  
Peter Leo Moroni

Holly C. Morse  
James E. Nolan  
Wendy Lynn Ohlson  
Lynne Frances Packard  
Susan Pensinger  
Nancy Jean Perkins  
Deborah Ann Picchione  
Debra Anne Picciuto  
Raymond Vincent Ponte  
Lynne Anne Richardson  
David Carl Robinson  
John William Rolfe  
Terri Ann Rolfe  
Elaine Marie Sabourin  
Steven A. Sawyer  
Karen Lynn Shave  
Paul Sheedy  
David Robert Silipo  
Scott Robert Simcik  
Ann E. Simmons  
Andrew R. Splitz  
Valerie A. Stephens  
Lynn Marie Taylor  
Patricia Lynne Teixeira  
Sheri Lynn Tessier  
Paula Jean Thomas  
Janelle Trojano  
Jacquelyn M. Turpin  
Paul Michael Tyrrell  
Sarah Ann Utka  
Julius R. Valla  
Nancy Lynne Waite  
Glenn Thomas Watson  
Tina Marie Webber  
Rhonda Elaine Williams  
Ronald E. Willis

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

During the past several years a great many adjustments have been made in the West Bridgewater Public Schools as the School Committee has struggled to meet the demands of limited fiscal resources made available for education. While enrollment has declined about 15% since 1979, we have eliminated over 37 positions, or 23% of our personnel during that time span.

Many of the reductions such as closing a school, making the lunch program self-sufficient, eliminating three of our seven buses are one-time savings. We are rapidly running out of non-educational areas available for reduction. The present school budget is only \$18,000 greater than it was in 1979, less than a 1% increase over a four year period.

A report from each of the schools provides you with a brief overview of what has been happening during the past year. I would like to highlight two areas in my report.

### **COMPUTERS**

During the next few years the use of microcomputers will increase so rapidly and extensively that each of us will be affected in numerous ways. At the very least, students in our care today will be at a handicap when they graduate from high school if they have not been exposed to the basic processes of utilizing a microcomputer.

Recognizing the responsibility which has been thrust upon education, we are adding computer literacy to the present curriculum. This introduction will take a bi-directional approach. First, it is meant to enhance the present curriculum and not act as a substitute. Secondly, it is to recognize that computer literacy is intrinsically valuable and is therefore a field of study to be followed for its own worth.

Computers are now available in grades three through six as well as at the High School. Five Apple II computers have been introduced at the elementary school level, all with Federal dollars. In addition, we have three TRS-80 Model I computers in the Math Department and nine TRS-80 Model II computers in the Business Department. We are presently contemplating the replacement of our oldest typewriters with computers which have the ability to be used as word processors since the cost is not dramatically different.

The second area I would like to highlight is the institution of an enrichment program at the Howard School. There are two parts to this, one being a Saturday morning program of two six week periods at Massasoit College and an afternoon program of volunteers for two four week periods. The latter we will be expanding to grade three this spring. These efforts are being made to provide children at the elementary level an opportunity to explore areas not available in our curriculum. A group of parents and teachers have given freely of their time and energy on these Monday afternoons to give the children that little extra. It is hoped that more citizens will decide to help us by volunteering to share their special skills with the children.



## West Bridgewater Junior-Senior High School

1982 was one of recognition for the High School Art Department. Two students, Sarah Utka and Cathy Denzer, won awards as Regional and State winners in the National Scholastic Art Awards Competition. Jon Steinmetz won first prize and Christine Marganian won second in an area poster contest. Jodi Inman's *Energy* poster design was used as an official letterhead and bumper sticker. A photograph of a studio silk-screen session was published (A.P.) in several papers throughout the New England region. John Guillemett's school office wall mural secured himself a commission of twelve murals for a company in Canton. We are receiving word from former students and their faculty that they are doing well in their art pursuits beyond the high school level.

The students' drawings, designs, paintings, prints, and clayworks are on display annually at the Spring and Fall Art Exhibits held in conjunction with the parent-teacher conferences. The public is truly welcome and usually finds the art works commendable.

The goal of the Athletic and Intramural programs at West Bridgewater Junior-Senior High School is to work in conjunction with the academic community to offer each student experiences which will contribute to the development of a well-rounded person. The Athletic and Intramural programs through their offerings of both team and individual activities, allow for the development of psychomotor, cognitive and affective skills, often not dealt with by the student in his academic endeavors.

During the Spring of the 1981-1982 school year there were 105 students involved in the Athletic program. The Fall semester of 1982 showed a total of 200 participants with the Winter semester showing 103. The total in Athletics and Intramurals during the 1981-1982 session was 408.

The Business Department received approval of its Federal Project for Accounting Skill Development under Public Law 94-482. The project was approved as written for \$5,698. The money was used to purchase three 48k, Model III microcomputers, two printers, assorted cables, cable extenders, cable switch boxes, and other related supplies. In addition, the Business Department purchased ten new calculators that are being utilized by students in the Business and Mathematics programs.

The 1982 school year found the English Department continuing the evaluation and improvement begun during the 1981 school year. One significant change was the elimination of semester course offerings in grades eleven and twelve and the adoption, instead, of English 11 and English 12. These are full year courses which stress not only American Literature in grade eleven and English Literature in grade twelve, but also the areas of vocabulary development, language usage and writing. Another advancement has been the addition of a sequential vocabulary program for grades seven through twelve which is a companion to the grammar program. Also, a sequential grammar program for students whose learning styles dictate a slower approach to skills acquisition has been instituted. Finally, books and videotapes which enhance and enrich the basic curriculum have been acquired.



During the school year, the West Bridgewater High School Library has catalogued 489 books for its permanent collection. Over 58 periodicals and newspapers were also purchased or renewed. Important reference books in all areas, along with bound periodicals, have enhanced our resources. Additional cassette tapes were purchased. The circulation and use of our materials has remained very active. As our resources continue to expand, so will our ability to serve all of our students. A strong word of appreciation should be extended to the staff of the public library who are always happy to help our students when called upon.

The Mathematics Department is gearing up for computer literacy. A computer lab has been opened five periods per day. Students may use the facility during their study hall periods; for enrichment, remediation, or actual programming. The school committee approved a semester course for the Fall of 1983, which will offer Introductory Basic. The Math and Science Departments are jointly creating a computer literacy unit which will be offered to all Junior High youngsters, also in the Fall of 1983. The Algebra I text is in the process of being updated and new series for other Math courses are being sought on a continuing basis. This is being done to improve the quality of instruction to ensure that different class sections have similar, or the same texts, and to dovetail the High School Mathematics program with the Heath Series, now utilized in levels Kindergarten through grade eight. Ninety five percent of our eighth grade passed the State Board of Education Competency Test. Basic Math Skills continue to be a high priority in our three non-college Math courses. Our five-year Honors sequence continues to be offered, with eighth graders taking Algebra I and finally, seniors taking Calculus. Mr. Lawrence R. Adler was employed as Mathematics Coordinator this year.

The West Bridgewater combined Junior-Senior High School Band is experiencing a period of growth, both in quantity and quality. In the school year, 1981-1982, our Band grew from approximately 50 members to 75 members. This school year, 1982-1983, our membership has jumped from 75 to 98 participants. The level of the Band repertoire has also improved noticeably. Earlier this year, our Band provided half-time entertainment at all home games where it is complemented by our Majorette squad. The Band also participated in the annual Tri-Town Veterans' Day Parade which this year took place in East Bridgewater.

For the first time, a Jazz Band (22 members) was formed for last year's Spring Concert at the Canoe Club. The performance of the Jazz Band literally brought down the house. Two of the young musicians who performed in this group are now students at the Berklee School of Music in Boston. Plans are now underway to once again include a large Jazz Band in this year's Spring Concert.

Recently, the Band produced a very successful Christmas Concert at the Canoe Club and our very fine Brass Choir, which was featured in the Christmas performance, traveled to various locations around town providing music of the Holiday Season.

Last school year, three of our High School musicians were selected to represent the Town of West Bridgewater in the Lions All-State Band. The Lions Clubs of the state sponsor outstanding young musicians from all over Massachusetts and pay for their three-day room and board at the New Convention Center in Hyannis, Massachusetts, at which time all the young musicians gather to form various performing groups which entertain at the annual Lions Club State Convention in Hyannis. This year, three musicians from West Bridgewater High

School have been recommended to participate once again. This year and last, West Bridgewater was represented in the Massachusetts Music Educators Southeast District Festival Band.

The Band members now look forward to and are preparing for the Founders Day Parade at Bridgewater State College, the West Bridgewater Little League Parade, the Spring Concert, and participation in graduation exercises early this June.

The Junior High School Chorus performed at area nursing homes and in a combined Christmas Concert with the Junior-Senior High School Band during the Fall semester. The Chorus is looking forward to an active Spring performance schedule.

The two year requirement in Science has strengthened our program and enabled us to more adequately meet the needs of more students. With the advent of computer technology, and recognizing the adaptability for classroom use, the members of the Science Department will be participating in a computer workshop. The Science Department is working in conjunction with the Mathematics Department coordinating efforts in areas of common concern.

The Social Science Department has as its prime goals the development of the person into a contributing member of the society. Through courses in History, Law, Sociology, Economics, and current issues, students in the Social Sciences gain insight into their world and themselves. The outcome of Social Science instruction will be a commitment to the ideals upon which America was founded: Equality, Justice, and Freedom.

Under the direction of the counselors in the Guidance Department, students are encouraged to develop their ability to make decisions on personal, social, career, and educational issues. Educational, vocational, and personal counseling is provided on an individual and group basis to students in grades seven through twelve. Parent-teacher-student conferences are scheduled during the year in order to enhance a student's development. Parent group meetings were scheduled at night in order to offer current information regarding such issues as: course scheduling, college planning, and financial aid for post-secondary education.

A variety of standardized tests continue to be administered: Achievement Tests in seventh and eighth as well as Aptitude Tests in eighth, an Interest Inventory in tenth, the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test in Tenth and eleventh on a voluntary basis, and the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery in tenth as well as in other grades on a voluntary basis. Test results are interpreted and discussed with respect to future planning.

A computerized career information system, ACES, was available to all students, teachers, and residents of West Bridgewater. The American Career Exploration System (ACES) offered students the opportunity to become more aware of their educational goals, personality preferences, abilities, interests, and attitudes in relation to occupational alternatives and post-secondary education.

Career education was actively in view again this year. Speakers from various colleges, military services, and career fields were invited in order to assist students further in career exploration/planning, and self-awareness. Additional career education curriculum programs were implemented by teachers/counselors within the classroom.



During this year, the follow-up studies program was conducted. This information assists us in terms of self-evaluation and for High School curriculum development.

Scholarships totaling over \$41,000.00 were awarded to graduates and former graduates of West Bridgewater High School. The funds were raised through the efforts of the Local Citizens' Scholarship Foundation. The total also represents contributions from the Horace Howard Air Fund, local businesses, social organizations, memorial scholarships, private contributions, trust funds, and funds donated by former scholarship recipients.

The class of 1982 decided upon various educational and career pursuits after graduation. Sixty-nine percent of the class has enrolled in post-secondary educational institutions, four percent entered military services, and twenty-eight percent entered immediate employment.

## Howard School

There is a total of 302 children at the Howard School—94 in grade four, 85 in grade five, and 123 in grade six. The staff continually strives to provide programs in all areas of the curriculum that meet the needs of each student. To this end, students have been grouped homogeneously for Reading, Language, Spelling, Handwriting, and Mathematics. Students also receive instruction weekly in Physical Science, Social Science, Art, Music, Physical Education, and Library Science.

For those students that experience a great deal of difficulty whether it be academic, social, and/or emotional, extra help is provided through our Reading/Language Arts Department, Special Needs Department, or Chapter I programs.

In addition to the basic academic areas, a number of specialized programs have been developed to serve the students of the Howard School. New this year for all students is a Computer Literacy program. Using an Apple II+ Computer, students are able to work on remediation, enrichment, and/or simulation activities. Also, a number of students have become familiar with the computer language BASIC and have written their own programs.

Approximately 85 students (grades four through six) have taken advantage of an opportunity to attend a Saturday morning enrichment program at Massasoit College. Students attending the program were recommended by past and present classroom teachers. A survey of the first six weeks indicates that participants have found the program to be very beneficial. The school administration is in the process of developing student selection criteria and hopes to continue the participation level for the 1983-1984 school year.

A Monday afternoon after-school enrichment program—four week segments—is being offered to those students interested in an opportunity to explore new areas, to expand their experiences beyond the classroom. The program is being presented on a voluntary basis by Howard staff members and other citizens of the community.

As you can see, students are being given many learning opportunities both in the regular classroom program and through special programs.

In closing, I would like to thank all the personnel associated with our school for the fine cooperation and assistance received during the past year.

## Rose L. MacDonald School

We presently are serving 303 students in grades Kindergarten through three. The 1982 census data indicates we will again enroll approximately 75 students in Kindergarten and our enrollment will remain about the same.

In conjunction with the state mandate on Improvement of the Basic Skills, the elementary Reading and Language Arts Department continues to stress the communications skills of Reading, Writing, Listening, and Speaking.

In addition to the teaching of Reading, writing skills which include Spelling, Handwriting, and Composition Development have been given high priority at all grade levels. With the acquisition of new materials, opportunities for inservice and staff development through workshops and demonstrations, and increased teaching time devoted to these areas, the goal of improving the basic language skills is being addressed on a daily basis.

The Music program has been enhanced by the purchase of a new book series which has abundant graphic aids, attractive song materials, high quality recordings and related activities which make the learning of musical concepts more accessible to the students. The addition of classroom aids such as resonator bells and a xylophone has provided students with new resources for creative musical expression. Music classes using these highly motivating materials have been very successful.

Our Art program, as in the past, has continued in its commitment to the development of basic skills in Art, which begins at the Kindergarten level and builds sequentially through grade six. The acquisition of these skills plays an integral part in the manipulative, perceptual, visual, and imaginative growth of the child.

We anticipate bringing the use of clay back into the program next year, so that we may utilize the kiln and expand even further the students Art experience.

The Mary E. Nelson Library provides a variety of print and nonprint media for students and staff. Each student visits the Library once a week for story telling, library skills lessons, browsing, and book selection. The first goal of these visits is to give a knowledge and appreciation of what is available in the Library. The second goal is to begin to develop the skills to be able to use Library resources independently and confidently. Parents and older brothers and sisters are encouraged to read with the children the books that are borrowed.



## BUSINESS DEPARTMENT

Mr. Lopes

The Business Department recently completed a survey of 1979, 1980, and 1981 graduates. The objective of the survey was to evaluate the curriculum, equipment, and solicit suggestions for improvements and/or deletions. Seventy-five of the business graduates responded and the following represents selected responses to the survey:

1. 49% felt that the standards were realistic;
2. 95% felt that Model Office and Stenography should continue to be offered and 85% felt that they should remain as double periods;
3. 53% of the graduates suggested acquiring and providing training on computers.

Currently, the Co-Op Business Education program has eight students working at: the Foxboro Company (3), W.B. Mason, Knapp Shoe, Campbell/Munroe Paper, Action Collection Agency, and Tagway Shoes.

## MATH LEAGUES

The Math Teams this year participated in three different Math Leagues; the Continental Math League, New England Math League, and Southeastern Massachusetts Math League.

The Continental League is based in Hauppauge, New York, and is a nationwide competition. Ninth graders took a series of 5 tests from November to April with 50 students taking the tests.

The top seven students were: Paul Neely, 18 pts., Russell Manzer, 16 pts., David Drinkwater, 14 pts., Donald Murphy, 13 pts., David DiCorpo, 13 pts., Christopher Roy, 13 pts., and Keith Nickerson, 12 pts. The team totals on several occasions were listed in the nationwide Leading Schools list.

In the New England Math League, the participants were 9-12 graders with a total of 34 students involved. Six tests were taken from October through April. The top students involved with the highest amount of points earned were: Seniors – Brian Kelly, 1st, Kathy Hegarty and Judy Ketler, Tied for 2nd, Valerie McLeod and Jeff Ames, Tied for 3rd. Juniors – Greg Simcik, 1st, Robert Korotsky, 2nd, and Edward Mailloux, 3rd. Sophomores – Jeff Manzer, 1st, Robert Benecchi, 2nd, and David Turner, 3rd. Freshmen – David Drinkwater and Russell Manzer, Tied for 1st, and Sean Cronin, 2nd.

The Southeastern Massachusetts Math League is composed of schools within the southeastern Massachusetts area and students must travel to different schools to take the tests. We traveled this year to Foxboro, Mansfield, Attleboro, and

Bridgewater-Raynham. Eighteen students took part with two teams of five each and alternates to take practice exams.

The top students were Greg Simcik, grade 11 and Jeff Manzer, grade 10, and West Bridgewater ranked 13 in the League. Also, West Bridgewater High hosted the League playoffs in March.

## SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

Mr. Chapman

The College Prep Biology class has been working on independent research projects in which the students have been testing the various growth processes of selected plants and animals. The results of their project responses will then be compared to established norms.

This is the time of the year when some students are busily preparing for SAT and Achievement Tests. Four students who have been attending review sessions in preparation for the Achievement Test in Chemistry are Brian Drinkwater, Ed Mailloux, Martin Mailloux, and Greg Simcik.

## WBSEPAC

Virginia T. Michael, Secretary The West Bridgewater Special Education Parent Advisory Council was awarded a grant by the Commonwealth Inservice Institute to provide a series of workshops for townspeople interested in Special Education. It is very unusual for a parent group to receive a grant.

The first workshop in a series of four featured Dr. Russell Latham, Director of Special Education Dighton-Rehoboth High School. His topic, "History and Law of Chapter 766" gave a background in the law and the future of Special Education. This was held on April 21.

On May 3, the second workshop was a mock team meeting. Pat Bauseman from the Federation of Children with Special Needs was the moderator.

Elizabeth Bozler, President of Bozler Educational Consultants presented methods and suggestions for working with children in the relaxed setting of home. This was the third workshop and was held on May 10.

May 17 is the fourth workshop. Tracy Baldrake, Associate Professor at Bridgewater State College will present, "Everything you wanted to know about parent participation and Chapter 766 but were afraid to ask".

We of the PAC hope you will set aside at least one evening and join us at a workshop.



**Annual Report  
of the  
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of  
West Bridgewater  
Massachusetts**



## TREASURER'S REPORT

I hereby submit the Treasurer's Report for Fiscal Year 1982.

The resignation of Mr. Joseph McCann was accepted with regret by the Town on April 30, 1982 and I was appointed to the position by the Board of Selectmen. My thanks to Mr. McCann for his help and to the various departments for their cooperative assistance in effecting a smooth transition.

Respectfully submitted,  
Elizabeth L. Zamaitis  
Treasurer-Collector

### **To Be Appropriated for July 1, 1983 – June 30, 1984**

Department	Bond Principal	Bond Interest	Total
School Bonds	163,000.00	31,115.00	194,115.00
Water Bonds	30,000.00	13,770.00	43,770.00
Other			25,000.00
	<hr/> 193,000.00	<hr/> 44,885.00	<hr/> 262,885.00

## REPORT OF THE ACCOUNTANT

In accordance with Chapter 41, Section 61 of the General Laws, I present the following financial information of the Town of West Bridgewater for the year ended June 30, 1982.

- Exhibit A – General Fund – Balance Sheet
- Exhibit B – General Fund – Unreserved Fund Balance
- Exhibit C – General Fund – Unexpended Appropriations
- Exhibit D – General Fund – Estimated Revenue
- Exhibit E – Trust & Investment Fund – Balance Sheet
- Exhibit F – Debt Fund
- Exhibit G – Revenue Sharing Fund – Balance Sheet
- Exhibit H – Revenue Sharing Fund – Analysis of Fund Balance
- Exhibit I – Revenue Sharing Fund – Unexpended Appropriations
- Exhibit J – Anti-Recession Fund – Unexpended Appropriations

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur E. Chaver  
Accountant

# EXHIBIT A

## Liabilities and Reserves





**EXHIBIT B**  
**TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER**  
**UNRESERVED FUND BALANCE**  
**JUNE 30, 1982**

July 1, 1981 Balance		283,623.97
Add — Tax lien & Foreclosures	133,635.03	
Revenue deficit year ended 6/30/81	195,579.20	
State aid highways	22,529.84	
Water — prior year	95.54	351,839.61
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TOTAL		635,463.58
Deduct — Appropriations	380,641.65	
Tax lien	35,693.25	416,334.90
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Balance before Closing		219,128.68
Add — Unexpended appropriations (Exhibit C)		61,027.38
Omitted assessments		151.20
Less — Excess Estimated receipts over actual (Exhibit D)		(22,447.18)
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June 30, 1982 Balance (Exhibit A)		257,860.08
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**EXHIBIT C**  
**TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER**  
**APPROPRIATIONS — 1982**

Account	Unexpended Balance 7-1-82	Appropriations	Transfer From Reserve	Receipts	Expended	Reverting to Revenue	Unexpended Balance 6-30-82
General Government:							
Selectmen		28,345.00	6,685.93		35,030.93		
Accountant		8,372.00	87.07		8,368.49	90.58	
Treasurer		42,053.00	2,876.04		44,649.60	279.44	
Treasurer - Tax Title	1,633.02				1,633.02		
Assessors		15,952.00			15,937.50	14.50	
Assessors Revaluation		67,500.00			43,392.80		24,107.20
Assessors Revaluation Plans		500.00			490.00	10.00	
Clerk		15,031.00	1,198.40		16,212.49	16.91	
Election & Registration		6,213.00			5,335.30	877.70	
Town Hall		18,819.00		1,324.50	18,816.02	2.98	
Town Hall energy grant							
Town Hall Energy Conservation	2,459.21				2,386.33	(v) 11.15	72.88
Counsel		13,500.00			13,488.85		
Counsel - Land Sales	790.00				790.00		
Moderator		140.00			140.00		
Finance Committee		150.00			70.00	80.00	
Total General Government	4,882.23	216,575.00	10,847.44	1,324.50	208,065.83	1,383.26	24,180.08
Protection of Persons and Property:							
Police		482,525.00	9,364.48		491,889.48		5,218.75
Police payroll revolving	1,904.00			63,418.75	60,104.00		

Account	Unexpended Balance 7-1-82	Appropriations	Transfer From Reserve	Receipts	Expended	Reverting to Revenue	Unexpended Balance 6-30-82
Police Cruisers	8,400.00	21,092.00			8,400.00		21,092.00
Police Trustee				36.00		36.00	
Police Cruiser repairs		900.00			889.25	10.75	
Police - Auto therm		1,000.00			803.00	197.00	
Police Station Plans	1,000.00				1,000.00		
Police Facility		1,200.00					1,200.00
Fire		192,150.00	1,627.78		193,777.78		
Fire - Ambulance				1,340.50	1,340.50		
Fire - Boiler					3,500.00		
Tree Warden		56,836.00	3,500.00		56,609.28	226.72	
Appeals Board		700.00			650.90	49.10	
Building Inspector		12,871.00			12,746.10	124.90	
Civil Defense		550.00			390.20	159.80	
Dog Officer	14,194.00	7.94			14,201.94		
Engineering services		1,000.00				1,000.00	
Sealer of Weights		685.00	7.75		692.75		
Planning Board		2,075.00			1,507.45	567.55	
Fuel Depot		250.00			155.92	94.08	
Industrial Development		50.00				50.00	
Industrial Development Finance		100.00				100.00	
Inspector - Gas & Plumbing		1,525.00			1,099.00	426.00	
Inspector Wires		1,160.00			715.00	445.00	
Total protection of persons and property	11,304.00	790,863.00	14,507.95	64,795.25	850,472.55	3,486.90	27,510.75

Account	Unexpended Balance 7-1-82	Appropriations	Transfer From Reserve	Receipts	Expended	Reverting to Revenue	Unexpended Balance 6-30-82
Health and Sanitation:							
Health		92,742.00			92,742.00		
Multi - Health Service		3,936.00			3,936.00		
Total Health & Sanitation		96,678.00			96,678.00		
Highway							
Highway		211,475.00					
Gas Revolving	4,058.02			42,504.48	169,100.16	42,374.84	3,666.00
Sewer master plan	37,500.00				42,896.50		37,500.00
State aid construction	20,464.21	28,319.00					48,783.21
Total Highway	62,022.23	239,794.00		42,504.48	211,996.66	42,374.84	89,949.21
Public Welfare:							
Veterans services		32,743.00	5,500.00		38,233.13	9.87	
Schools and Libraries:							
Schools		2,694,346.00			2,489,091.01	325.23	204,922.76
School Athletics	3,073.01			2,320.75			5,393.76
School Hot Lunch	16,445.56			150,796.17	156,459.31		10,782.42
School Energy repairs	78,190.81				62,625.52		15,565.29
Southeastern Regional		67,300.00			64,200.00	3,100.00	
W.J. & A.C. Howard Scholarship	355.55				250.00		105.55
School revolving	2,920.16			5,763.49	4,884.89		3,798.76
State aided vocational		1,200.00			921.00	279.00	
School - Title I	3,589.45			27,356.00	24,300.48		6,644.97



Account	Unexpended Balance 7-1-82	Appropriations	Transfer From Reserve	Receipts	Expended	Reverting to Revenue	Unexpended Balance 6-30-82
School - Title IV - B	3,456.39				3,456.39		
School - Psychological Service	6,128.51				6,128.51		
School - LEA Incentive	3,829.27			9,333.00	13,161.72	.55	
School - Inservice Education	1,964.20				1,964.20		
School - Reading for gifted	680.00				680.00		
School - Adapted Physical Education	519.50				519.50		
School Composition power	651.00				651.00		
School - Career Awareness	1,707.64				1,707.64		
School - Adopted Physical Education				4,375.00	4,186.58		188.42
School - Psychological Services				42,845.00	39,243.40		3,601.60
School - Title I				6,838.00	6,137.70		700.30
School - Career Awareness				1,270.00	1,270.00		
School - Parent Training				991.00	676.36		314.64
School - Title IV B				8,687.00	7,950.90	5.00	736.10
School - United Cerebral Palsy	125.00				120.00		
School security			37.50		25.00	12.50	
School Demolish				4,887.00	4,887.00		
Library		55,118.00			55,048.73	69.27	
Library Trust Funds 1	1,899.90			740.43	1,491.99		1,148.34
Library Trust Funds 2	115.12			296.34			411.46
Library Trust Funds 3	853.82			677.02	769.49		761.35
Library Trust Fund Curtis Fund	1,004.54			1,666.84	2,187.60		483.78
Library State Aid		(3,179.50)		3,179.50			
County Dog Fund		(1,970.00)		1,970.50			
Total Schools	127,509.43	2,812,814.00	37.50	273,993.04	2,955,002.92	3,791.55	255,559.50

<b>Account</b>	<b>Unexpended Balance 7-1-82</b>	<b>Appropriations</b>	<b>Transfer From Reserve</b>	<b>Receipts</b>	<b>Expended</b>	<b>Reverting to Revenue</b>	<b>Unexpended Balance 6-30-82</b>
Unclassified:							
Vouchers payable	194,966.16				192,131.33	2,834.83	
Unpaid Bills		2,157.65			2,157.65		
Bonds & Interest		319,710.00			316,303.63	3,406.37	
Cemetery Trust Funds				180.93	180.93		
Christmas Decorations		150.00			48.44	101.56	
Contributory retirement		141,554.00			141,554.00		
Conservation commission		750.00			723.79	26.21	
Council on aging		6,765.00			6,765.00		
Council on aging - Health	740.52				740.52		
Council on aging grant				471.00	471.00		
County aid agriculture		100.00			100.00		
Drury Bell contribution	474.39				49.78		424.61
Demolition - Calef House			3,400.00		3,400.00		
Energy Day Grant				3,000.00	3,000.00		
Energy Fair				1,672.59	664.38		1,008.21
Exchange				503.15	503.15		
Historical Commission		150.00				150.00	
Historical Commission - Waterwheel	707.77				129.08		578.69
Insurance casualty		12,147.00			10,388.09	1,758.91	
Memorial & Veterans Days		300.00	53.35		353.35		
Memorial field		500.00			487.09	12.91	
Reserve Fund		35,000.00			35,000.00		
Insurance - Unemployment		34,000.00			34,000.00		
Tennis Courts		200.00			200.00		
Town Reports		5,000.00			5,000.00		

Account	Unexpended Balance 7-1-82	Appropriations	Transfer From Reserve	Receipts	Expended	Reverting to Revenue	Unexpended Balance 6-30-82
Recreation		4,080.00			4,074.91	5.09	
Total Unclassified	196,888.84	562,563.65	3,453.35	5,827.67	758,426.12	8,295.88	2,011.51
Enterprise:							
Water		118,225.00	653.76		118,878.76		
Water - Wells	1,001.07				235.00	766.07	
Water - Cleaning Mains	3,513.01				2,594.00	919.01	
Total Enterprise	4,514.08	118,225.00	653.76		121,707.76	1,685.08	
Total — General Fund	407,120.81	4,870,255.65	35,000.00	388,444.94	5,240,582.97	61,027.38	399,211.05

(v) Vouches payable — Exhibit A (Exhibit C) (v) 204,995.64

(1) Unexpended appropriations — Exhibit A (1) 194,215.41

**EXHIBIT D**  
**TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER**  
**ESTIMATED REVENUE**  
**YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1982**

	Estimated	Actual	Excess (Deficiency)
From the State:			
Loss of taxes — State owned land	41,716	41,736	20
Abatements — Veterans et al	14,177	12,358	(1,819)
School — Aid Chapter 70	650,769	644,247	(6,522)
School — Transportation of Pupils	56,769	61,523	5,261
School — Construction	83,777	83,777	—
School — Related Transportation	12,570	8,869	(3,701)
School — Tuition for State Wards	7,634	14,463	6,829
Police career incentive	9,446	10,969	1,523
Veterans Benefits	11,504	6,256	(5,248)
Highway reconstruction & Maint.	38,784	38,784	—
Local Aid	289,936	289,917	( 19)
Local Aid — Lottery	68,745	75,388	6,643
Highway Fund	36,584	36,584	—
Highway — Traffic Lights	—	4,000	4,000
Totals — State	1,321,904	1,328,871	6,967
Local Receipts:			
Motor Vehicle	180,000	176,828	(3,172)
Licenses	27,015	29,174	2,159
Fines	74,110	55,681	(18,429)
General Government	33,455	76,431	42,975
School	3,803	967	(2,836)
Libraries	886	835	( 51)
Farm Excise	743	1,437	694
Interest	70,496	61,840	(8,656)
Water receipts	140,000	109,452	(30,548)
Trailer Park Fees	7,083	7,119	36
Ambulance fees	30,000	18,414	(11,586)
Totals — Local	567,592	538,178	(29,414)
TOTALS	1,889,496	1,867,049	(22,447)



**EXHIBIT E**  
**TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER**  
**TRUST AND INVESTMENT FUNDS**  
**JUNE 30, 1982**

**Balance Sheet**

**Assets:**

Cash and securities	75,164.76
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**Fund Balance:**

Cemetery perpetual care fund	8,881.42
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Drury Bell fund	135.40
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Library fund	43,090.33
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Stabilization fund	17,577.40
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W.J. & A.C. Howard Scholarship fund	5,480.21
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<b>Total</b>	<b>75,164.76</b>
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**EXHIBIT F**

**Debt Fund**

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	1,142,000.00
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**Loans Payable:**

School	827,000.00
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Water	315,000.00
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<b>Total</b>	<b>1,142,000.00</b>
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**EXHIBIT G**  
**TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER**  
**REVENUE SHARING FUND**  
**JUNE 30, 1982**

**Balance Sheet**

<b>Assets:</b>		
Cash		87,527.68
Investments		292,327.21
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<b>Total Assets</b>		<b>379,854.89</b>
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<b>Liabilities and Fund Balance:</b>		
Unexpended appropriations		37,081.66
Appropriation control — 1982/83:		
Street Lights	35,000.00	
Contributory retirement	40,000.00	
Insurance-casualty	54,532.00	
Insurance-group	135,000.00	
Insurance-unemployment	32,000.00	296,532.00
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Total		333,613.66
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<b>Fund Balance</b>		<b>46,241.23</b>
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<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balance</b>		<b>379,854.89</b>
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**EXHIBIT H**

**Analysis of Fund Balance**

	<b>Revenue Sharing</b>	<b>Anti- Recession</b>
Balance — July 1, 1981	25,934.72	—
<b>Receipts:</b>		
U.S. Government	227,035.00	—
Interest earned	87,124.82	—
Unexpended appropriations	2,678.69	—
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Total	342,773.23	—
Appropriated (see Exhibit G)	296,532.00	—
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Balance — June 30, 1982	46,241.23	—
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EXHIBIT I

Account	Unexpended Balance 7-1-82	Appropriations	Transfer From Reserve	Receipts	Expended	Reverting to Revenue	Unexpended Balance 6-30-82
Revenue Sharing:							
Health-Landfull	3,881.06				3,881.06		35,081.66
Highway-Drainage	35,081.66						
Highway-Street Lights		31,300.00			31,300.00		2,000.00
Library Expansion Comm.	2,000.00						
Insurance-Casualty		42,385.00			42,385.00		
Insurance-Group		109,000.00			106,321.31	2,678.69	
Total Revenue Sharing	40,962.72	182,685.00			183,887.37	2,678.69	37,081.66

EXHIBIT J

Anti-Recession: Water-Wells	5,879.79				5,879.79		
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## COLLECTOR OF TAXES

I hereby submit the Tax Collector's Report for 1982.

	Outstanding 1/1/82	Committed 1982	Abated 1982	Refunds 1982	Collected 1982	Tax Title	Balance 12/31/82
1977 Motor Vehicles		171.88			171.88		
1978 Motor Vehicles	9,138.27		72.25		416.17		8,649.85
1979 Motor Vehicles	15,628.76		85.80		5,680.51		9,862.45
1980 Motor Vehicles	34,482.91	69.30	2,686.81	69.13	16,115.12		15,819.41
1981 Motor Vehicles	22,823.23	3,081.22	2,519.10	911.97	18,743.50		5,553.82
1982 Motor Vehicles		185,034.18	15,557.39	1,032.00	150,276.00		20,232.79
1977 Personal Property	220.00						220.00
1978 Personal Property	258.50						258.50
1979 Personal Property	1,677.60						1,677.60
1980 Personal Property	966.00						966.00
1981 Personal Property	2,046.00						2,046.00
1982 Personal Property	48,919.92		10.08		47,053.44		1,856.40
1983 Personal Property		47,922.00	94.08		47,011.44		816.48
1979 Farm	24.50						24.50
1980 Farm	312.00						312.00
1981 Farm	71.50						15.00
1982 Farm		1,183.14			56.50		1,106.54
1982/3 Water	16,961.02	191,708.92	2,751.69	104.45	160,906.16		45,116.54
1980 Water Lien	30.00					30.00	
1981 Water Lien	213.87				135.00		78.87
1982 Water Lien	3,358.12			15.00	1,920.00		1,453.12
1979 Real Estate	5,603.04					5,603.04	
1980 Real Estate	30,090.21					30,090.21	



	Outstanding 1/1/82	Committed 1982	Abated 1982	Refunds 1982	Collected 1982	Tax Title	Balance 12/31/82
1981 Real Estate	74,142.81		144.00	144.00			40,360.76
1982 Real Estate	1,566,230.18	3,640.41	7,089.20	15,744.32	1,488,104.32		90,241.39
1983 Real Estate		1,472,215.46	851.76	493.87	1,342,718.95		129,138.62
Trailer Park Excise	1,833,198.44				3,313,167.54		375,806.74
Interest Collected					7,155.00		
Charges Collected					19,645.81		
					4,782.97		
					3,344,751.32		

Respectfully submitted,  
Elizabeth L. Zamaitis, Treasurer-Collector

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## OFFICE HOURS FOR TOWN OFFICES

Assessors	Daily 8:30 — 12:00, 1:00 — 4:30 1st & 3rd Wednesday Evening, 7:00 — 9:00
Board of Health	1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 — 9:00 p.m.
Planning Board	1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 — 9:00 p.m.
Selectmen	Daily 8:30 — 4:30 p.m. Reg. Meetings: Monday 7:00 — 9:00 p.m.
Tax Collector & Treasurer	Daily 9:00 — 4:30 p.m. 1st & 3rd Wednesday Eve., 7:00 — 9:00 p.m.
Town Clerk	Daily 9 — 12, 1 — 4:30 p.m. 1st & 3rd Wednesday Eve., 7:00 — 9:00 p.m.
Veterans' Services	Daily 9:00 — 12:00 a.m.
Water Department	Daily 9:00 a.m. — 1:00 p.m. 1st & 3rd Wednesday Eve., 7:30 — 9:00 p.m.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
West Bridgewater, Massachusetts 02379  
Telephone 617-588-4820

**ACT NOW TO SERVE YOUR COMMUNITY!**

Town government needs citizens who are willing to give time in the service of their community. The Board of Selectmen plans to organize a Talent Bank as a means of compiling names of citizens willing to serve, voluntarily, on boards, committees and as resource people. Names in our file will be available for use by the public as well as all Town offices, the Selectmen and the Moderator.

If you wish to participate, please complete this form, indicate your areas of interest and return to:

Selectmen's Office  
Town Hall  
West Bridgewater, MA 02379

Name ..... Tel. No. ....

Address ..... Occupation .....

Background .....

.....

.....

List order of preference:

**PLANNING & PRESERVATION**

Conservation Commission  
Industrial Development Commission  
Planning Board  
Appeals Board

**EDUCATION**

School Committee Activities  
Resource Person for Schools  
Other

**RECREATION**

Youth Work  
Other

**OTHER**

Housing Authority  
Council on Aging  
Bicentennial Commission  
Construction Committee

**GOVERNMENT**

Finance Committee  
Committee Studying  
Changes .....

**HEALTH**

Social Services  
Ambulance Committee









## TELEPHONE NUMBERS

**SELECTMEN'S ..... 586-1394**

### **CONNECTING ALL TOWN OFFICES:**

**588-4820 ..... 588-4854**

**ASSESSOR'S ..... 588-6740**

**WATER DEPARTMENT ..... 583-0813**

### **FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

**ONLY in case of fire — call ..... 586-3232**

**(Give Name, Address and Type of Fire)**

**For Permits to Burn — call ..... 586-4137**

**FOR AMBULANCE SERVICE ..... 586-3232**

### **POLICE DEPARTMENT:**

**Call this number — day or night ..... 586-2525**

**DOG OFFICER ..... 587-6164**

**SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS OFFICE ..... 586-5094**

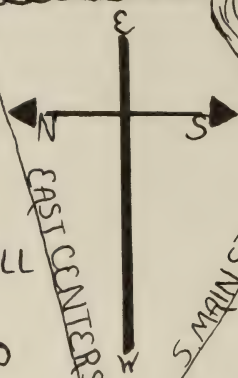
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1982



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PACKARD  
LEONARD  
N. MAIN ST.  
AMES  
DUNBAR  
DRAKE  
PERKINS  
LONDON ST.  
HOWARD SEMINARY  
HOWARD  
GRAMMA SCHOOL  
PRIMARY SCHOOL  
DUNBAR  
LEONARD

STETSON

MACKILL  
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# WEST BRIDGEWATER 1983 TOWN REPORT



*Lisa Kovacs*



HARRY B. HARDING & SON, INC.  
7 Marble Street, Whitman, Massachusetts 02382

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**Town Officers and Committees**  
**OF THE TOWN OF**  
**WEST BRIDGEWATER**



**For the Year Ending December 31**  
**1983**



***THIS ANNUAL REPORT  
IS DEDICATED TO:***

**DORIS HAIGHT**

*BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
1977-1983*

*FINANCE COMMITTEE  
1973-1977*

**PUBLIC SERVANT EXTRAORDINARY**



## ***In Memoriam***

**Austin Cole**

*Board of Assessors*

1965-1972

**Charles L. Hill**

*Moderator*

1973-1983

**Sherwood W. Jackson**

*Board of Assessors*

1973-1983

# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

This 162nd Annual Town Report is presented by the Board of Selectmen in accord with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 49.

The Board of Selectmen has regularly met to conduct the business of the town on Monday evenings (Tuesday following holidays) except the last Monday of the month. Many special meetings have been scheduled, generally during the business day on Mondays.

The Board of Selectmen, true to the sense of being "town fathers", has endeavored to bring the "town family" together. While departmental jurisdictions and responsibilities may be specific and narrow, procedures, operations, equipment, supplies, personnel expertise and experiences can be shared and utilized to the maximum benefit of the community in the right atmosphere.

Your Highway Department this year completed blacktopping the section of Manley Street from West Street to the old railroad crossing. Sinnott Street was resurfaced and modifications to the drainage system completed. The intersection of Beacon and West Street as well as sections of Manley Street Extension were blacktopped. Maolis Avenue and Sunset Avenue were blacktopped in entirety. Working in cooperation with the School Department the entrances to Howard School and areas at the Spring Street School and West Bridgewater High School were resurfaced. The street sweeper approved at annual town meeting was purchased. This department is now doing all normal maintenance on its own vehicles and has been cooperating with other departments on vehicle maintenance resulting in a considerable savings in costs.

The Board of Selectmen is in the process of laying out Forest Street and making preparations for a blacktop surface when funding is available.

The replacement chassis for the ambulance approved at the special town meeting has been ordered and delivery is expected early this year.

Your 1950 ladder truck is in need of major overhaul or replacement. The Board of Selectmen and Fire Chief Charles A. Dyke have explored many alternatives in regard to this piece of equipment and an article for funding is on the town meeting warrant for 1984.

The provisional license for a cable television system has been awarded to Continental Cable Television Systems. This was accomplished with the recommendation of the Cable Advisory Committee. This committee of dedicated citizens worked many hours to do the research which resulted in our decision. Your cable television system should be in operation in the fall of 1984.

Your Board of Selectmen is continually working with all departments to promote cooperative actions and fiscal responsibility in the operation of your municipality. We thank all departments and boards for their assistance and support. This is what makes West Bridgewater a fine community.

Respectfully submitted,  
Board of Selectmen  
Eldon F. Moreira, *Chairman*  
Charles H. Johnson  
Charles A. Pickering

# STATISTICS

## Of the Town of West Bridgewater

1970—Federal Census—7152

1980—Town Census—6536

Total Registered Voters — 3495

### PRECINCT 1

Republican 486

Democrat 418

Unenrolled 725

### PRECINCT 2

Republican 465

Democrat 419

Unenrolled 982

Number of Residences — 1988

Area of Town — 15.75 Square Miles

59.33 Miles of Water Mains

Local Road Mileage 62

### COUNCILLOR — FIRST DISTRICT

John Britland

### SENATOR — 2nd PLYMOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT

Edward P. Kirby

### REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

10th PLYMOUTH DISTRICT

Michael C. Creedon

### REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

11th CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Brian Donnelly

1984

Town Meeting — April 9

Town Election — April 14

# Town Officers for 1983

## MODERATOR

	Elected	Term Expires
Charles Hill	1982	1983

## TOWN CLERK

	Elected	Term Expires
Anna E. Brown	1982	1985

## SELECTMEN

	Elected	Term Expires
Eldon F. Moreira	1981	1984
Charles H. Johnson	1982	1985
Charles A. Pickering	1983	1986

## ASSESSORS

	Elected	Term Expires
Sherwood W. Jackson, Deceased	1981	1984
Irving W. Puffer, Appt.	1983	1984
Gary A. Boyd	1982	1985
DeSales J. Heath	1983	1986

## TREASURER/COLLECTOR

	Elected	Term Expires
Elizabeth L. Zamaitis	1983	1986

## TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

	Elected	Term Expires
Robert Wayne Legge	1981	1984
Hillary Murray	1983	1984
Michael Manugian	1982	1985
Helen Millet	1982	1985
Bruce Edson	1983	1986
Barbara Perkins	1983	1986

## REGIONAL-VOCATIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

	Elected	Term Expires
Eugene Kostecki	1981	1984



## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

	Elected	Term Expires
Leo Cronin	1981	1984
Joseph L. McMorrow, Sr.	1981	1984
Robert S. Bourne	1982	1985
Betty Alden Miller	1982	1985
Joseph A. Kennedy	1983	1986
Thomas F. Kelley	1983	1986

## WATER COMMISSIONERS

	Elected	Term Expires
John W. Noyes	1981	1984
Edward G. Asack	1982	1985
Donald N. Davock	1983	1986

## TREE WARDEN

	Elected	Term Expires
Thomas B. MacQuinn	1983	1986

## CONSTABLES

	Elected	Term Expires
Edwin T. Gibson	1983	1986
Raymond L. Silva	1983	1986

## BOARD OF HEALTH

	Elected	Term Expires
Ronald C. Broman	1981	1984
Edward F. Cruz	1982	1985
Judith A. Kinney, Resigned	1983	1986
Marie T. Bagley, Appt.	1983	1984

## PLANNING BOARD

	Elected	Term Expires
Donald G. Asack	1979	1984
Howard Anderson	1980	1985
D. Christopher Cross	1981	1986
Wilfred Howard	1982	1987
William E. Turner, Jr.	1983	1988

## HOUSING AUTHORITY

	Elected	Term Expires
Richard C. Williams	1979	1984
Carl R. Bystrom	1980	1985
Robert Kellie	1981	1986
Albert Greiner	1982	1987
Marion H. Bartell (By State)	1983	1988

## **Officers Appointed by the Selectmen**

**SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS**

Donald E. Newman

**TOWN ACCOUNTANT**

Arthur E. Chaves

**CHIEF OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Ervin G. Lothrop

**CHIEF OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Charles A. Dyke

**SUPERINTENDENT OF PEST CONTROL, 3 Years**

Thomas B. MacQuinn

**FOREST FIRE WARDEN**

Edwin T. Gibson

**SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES**

Warren A. Turner

**DEPUTY SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES**

Warren E. Turner

**DOG OFFICER**

Julie Vivace

**ASSISTANT DOG OFFICER**

Thomas Vivace

**VETERAN'S BURIAL AGENT**

Armen Amerigian

**CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR**

Michael Manugian

**DEPUTY CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR**

Ronald P. Snell

**PLUMBING AND GAS INSPECTOR**

Joseph Donavan

**TOWN COUNSEL**

John P. Lee

## CONFIDENTIAL SECRETARY

Artemis Bucci

## REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

	Appointed	Term Expires
Lance R. Ohlson	1981	1984
Francis J. Boyd	1982	1985
Edward M. Pingree	1983	1986

## INSPECTOR OF WIRES

Albert Greiner

## TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

Thomas B. MacQuinn	Richard E. Norris
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## INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

John Pires

## MEMORIAL FIELD COMMITTEE

Robert Splitz	William R. Brown	Thomas Roulstone
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## HERRING WARDEN

Philip C. Tuck

## DEPUTY HERRING WARDENS

Thomas B. MacQuinn	Joseph Souza
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## LOCKUP KEEPER

Walter Thayer

## ADMINISTRATOR OF INSURANCE

Eldon F. Moreira	John Drinkwater
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## BUILDING BOARD OF APPEALS

	Appointed	Term Expires
Harry G. Pierson, Jr.	1981	1984
George O. Merritt	1981	1984
William E. Turner, Jr.	1982	1985
Harry Ketler	1982	1985
Henry Podolsky	1983	1986
Associate Members:		
Joseph Kameese	1983	1986
James Wolfsberg	1983	1985

## INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

	Term Expires
Charles H. Johnson	1984
Leon Beaulieu	1985
Donald L. MacIver	1986
Frank Miller	1987
George V. Hollertz, Jr.	1988

## ADVISORY COMMITTEE to the INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

	Term Expires
Charles Higgins	1984
Carl R. Bystrom	1985

## INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FINANCE AUTHORITY

	Term Expires
Madelyn T. Burke	1984
Donald L. MacIver	1985
Raymond E. Chace	1986
Joseph L. McMorrow, Sr.	1987
Robert L. Smith	1988

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

	Appointed	Term Expires
Thomas J. Driscoll	1981	1984
Joseph Souza	1982	1984
Howard M. Hayward	1981	1984
Linda Greene	1982	1985
Grete M. Bohannon	1982	1985
John Dacey	1983	1986
Hugh Hurley	1983	1986

## BY-LAW STUDY COMMITTEE

	Appointed	Term Expires
Grete Bohannon	1981	1984
Donald Kennedy	1981	1984
Roger A. Coelho	1981	1985
Paul Calandrea	1982	1985
Stewart Young	1982	1985

## RECREATION COMMISSION

	Appointed	Term Expires
Ethel Fisher	1979	1984
Joseph G. Gareri	1980	1985
Mary Lou Jenness	1981	1986
Marie Connolly	1983	1988



## COUNCIL ON AGING

	Appointed	Term Expires
Kenneth B. Hollis	1981	1984
Kathleen V. Fenstermaker	1981	1984
Samuel Feinberg	1981	1984
Marjorie E. MacDonald	1981	1984
George Maguire	1982	1985
Beth Burgess	1982	1985
David J. Cohen	1982	1985
Eileen Beane, res. 10/14/83	1982	1985
Lloyd A. Sears	1983	1986
Winifred H. Manzer	1983	1986
Elmer W. Walker	1983	1986
Eleanor Lindsey	1983	1986

## MEMORIAL AND VETERANS' DAY COMMITTEE

William R. Brown, Sr.	Emmet Miller
Francis Boyd	Alfred Luce

## HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

	Appointed	Term Expires
Anne Gillis	1981	1984
Harold Colby	1982	1985
Francis Beary	1982	1985
Lawrence Conant	1983	1986
Nancy Bell	1983	1986

## REPRESENTATIVE TO SELF-HELP INC.

Charles Baker

## OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL, 3 Years

	Appointed	Term Expires
Charles A. Pickering	1983	1986
Doris Haight, Alternate, res. 6/24/83	1981	1984

## OLD COLONY ELDERLY SERVICES

Beth Burgess

## OLD COLONY TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Raymond Chace

## ENERGY COORDINATOR

George Miller

## OLD COLONY OVERALL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM REPRESENTATIVE

George V. Hollertz, Jr.

## OCPC AREA AGENCY ON AGING

William R. Brown, Sr.

Kenneth Hollis, Alternate

### CETA DESIGNEE

Eldon Moreira

### TENNIS COMMITTEE

Donald A. Fisher

Frank Miller

Marlene A. Howell

Nancy M. Pettinelli

Marianne Lorrain

### DRURY BELL COMMITTEE

Marjorie E. MacDonald

Charles H. Johnson

Charles A. Pickering

Eldon F. Moreira

### PLYMOUTH COUNTY ADVISORY BUDGET DESIGNEE

Eldon F. Moreira

### ARTS LOTTERY COUNCIL

Roland Nadeau

Patrick B. Bell

Lawrence Lyons

Donald Adams

Joseph Linehan

Lorraine A. Piver

Cheryl Adams

### CUSTODIANS OF THE HERITAGE TIME CAPSULE

	Appointed	Term Expires
Austin Cole	1980	1983
Marjorie MacDonald	1981	1984
Kenneth Turner	1982	1985

### FENCE VIEWERS

Joseph Souza

Marilyn Raleigh

Hugh Hurley

### DATA PROCESSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Patricia A. Cheromcka

William R. Brown, Jr.

Lawrence Conant

Everett B. Tufts

### BROCKTON AREA MENTAL HEALTH & RETARDATION REPRESENTATIVE

Lana Robbins

### MULTI-HEALTH SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE

Madeline F. Kipper

### PARKING CLERK

Charles H. Johnson

### HAZARDOUS WASTE COORDINATOR

William Norman

Lance Anderson

**FIELD DRIVERS**

Julie Vivace

George Richardson

**CABLE TELEVISION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Ronald Byrnes

Robert Kwash

Joseph Souza

Harold Ketler

Bruce Soderholm

Warren Turner

Peter McPhail

**Appointments by  
Board of Health**

**INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS**

Leo F. Moroni

**BOARD OF HEALTH PHYSICIAN**

Dr. Joseph F. Calitri

**BURIAL AGENT**

Anna E. Brown

**Appointments by  
Chief of Fire Department**

**DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF**

Leonard T. Hunt

**DEPUTY FIRE WARDENS**

Paul R. Lanoue

Leonard T. Hunt

Richard W. Gibson

Charles A. Dyke

Thomas B. MacQuinn

Allen A. Breer

Paul Golder

Thomas Dunlevy

# Appointments by Moderator

## COMMITTEE TO APPOINT A FINANCE COMMITTEE

Warren E. Turner	Paul Sheedy
Kathleen Fenstermaker, Resigned	Henry Bishop
	Michael Manugian

## STREET LIGHTING COMMITTEE

John B. Sillars	Raymond L. Silva
Arthur Steptoe	John Daly
James F. Purpua	

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

	Appointed	Term Expires
Marion Loughman	1981	1984
Neil R. Manzer	1981	1984
Joanne M. Kelley	1982	1984
Barbara Ginn	1982	1985
James B. Howell	1982	1985
David F. Meade, Jr.	1982	1985
Robert L. Smith	1983	1986
Frederick A. McPeck	1983	1986
Cheryl Ohlson	1983	1986



# TOWN CLERK REPORT

## Special Town Meeting March 30, 1983

A meeting of which the inhabitants of the Town of West Bridgewater qualified to vote in Election and Town Affairs was held at the Sr.-Jr. High School Auditorium on Wednesday, March 30, 1983. Meeting called to order by the Moderator, Charles L. Hill at 7:30 P.M.

87 Voters were present.

Reading of the warrant and constables return was dispensed with there being no objections.

Mrs. Doris Haight, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen requested the floor, and presented the following Resolutions:

WHEREAS, Joseph F. McCann has served the Town of West Bridgewater as Collector/Treasurer for a period of eleven years; and

WHEREAS, Joseph F. McCann has given of his time and effort unstintingly for these eleven years and has brought distinction to the office; and

WHEREAS, Joseph F. McCann has continued to promote the best interests of the Town of West Bridgewater;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of West Bridgewater expresses its deep appreciation to Joseph F. McCann and that this RESOLUTION be spread on the Records of the Town Clerk and a copy thereof be presented to Mr. McCann.

Board of Selectmen,  
Doris Haight, *Chairman*  
Eldon F. Moreira, *Clerk*  
Charles H. Johnson

WHEREAS, Irving G. Sylvester has served the Town of West Bridgewater as Highway Superintendent for a period of seventeen years; and

WHEREAS, Irving G. Sylvester has faithfully and conscientiously served the Town of West Bridgewater in numerous capacities which has benefited the Town; and

WHEREAS, Irving G. Sylvester has always been in the forefront of promoting the best interests of the Town of West Bridgewater;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of West Bridgewater expresses its deep appreciation to Irving G. Sylvester and that this RESOLUTION be spread on the records of the Town Clerk and a copy thereof be presented to Mr. Sylvester,

Board of Selectmen,  
Doris Haight, *Chairman*  
Eldon F. Moreira, *Clerk*  
Charles H. Johnson

The meeting proceeded as follows:

*Article 1. Voted:* The sum of \$29,972.00 be raised and appropriated to meet negotiated increases for the Police Department for the current fiscal year and the sum of \$9,170.00 be raised and appropriated to meet anticipated negotiated increases for the Fire Department for the current fiscal year.

*Article 2. Voted:* The sum of \$2,326.00 be raised and appropriated to be added to the Librarian's salary account to fulfill the Trustees' contractual obligation for fiscal 1982-1983.

*Article 3. Voted:* The sum of \$1,408.60 be raised and appropriated to pay the following old bills for fiscal 1981-1982.

Cirelli Foods, Inc.	\$150.16
Baggia Press	110.00
Eastern Edison	742.44
Joseph F. Donovan	406.00

*Article 4. Passed without Action.*

*Article 5. Voted:* To establish a revolving account entitled "Spring Street School Rental and maintenance account" which will allow for the deposit of rents collected from tenants at the Spring Street School, said rents to be used for maintenance of the building.

*Article 6. Voted:* To rescind the action of the Special Town Meeting held July 28, 1982, said action being a vote to pay \$33,840.29 in 1981-1982 fiscal year bills from funds in the Excess and Deficiency account and vote to pay these from 1982-1983 fiscal year tax revenues.

*Article 7. Voted:* The sum of \$47,950.00 be raised and appropriated to pay operating expenses for fiscal 1982-1983 for the following departments:

Street lights	\$5,000.00
Board of Health	8,000.00
Veterans Services	9,500.00
Law	4,500.00
Police	20,000.00
Council on Aging	950.00

A true copy,  
Attest: Anna E. Brown, CMC  
Town Clerk

# Annual Town Election

## April 16, 1983

The Annual Town Election was held at the Spring Street School on Saturday, April 16, 1983. The Warrant issued by the Selectmen was posted by the Constable, Edwin T. Gibson, on March 29, 1983 in accordance with the provisions of the Town By-Laws.

Specimen ballots, cards of instructions and abstracts of the laws imposing penalties upon voters were posted as required by the laws of the Commonwealth.

The polls were opened at 9 A.M. The ballot boxes in both precincts were inspected and the registers set at 00000. A total of 12,450 ballots were given to the warden John Sillars, and receipt given to the Town Clerk for the same.

At the close of the polls at 8 P.M. the ballot box registers showed the following number of ballots cast:

Precinct I	521
Precinct II	584
Total	<u>1,105</u>

The following workers were sworn in:

**Precinct I:** William R. Brown, Sr. Clerk; Natalie Beaulieu, Debbie Podolsky, Joan Ohlson, Joyce Nystrom, Checkers: Helen Souza, Marie Murray, Catherine Chaves, Lois Ketler, Counters and observers; Dorothy Williams, Claire Davock, Total Tally.

**Precinct II:** John Sillars, Warden; Warren E. Turner, Clerk; Coralee Travers, Shirley Almquist, Paula Turner, Janet Merritt, Checkers; Audrey Johnson, Joanne Stork, Alice Richardson, Karolyn Boyd, Ann Long, Elizabeth Turner, Counters and observers; Total Tally, Joseph Souza, William R. Brown, Jr.

The results were declared at 10:45 P.M. and were as follows:

	I	II	Total
<b>MODERATOR, 1 yr.</b>			
Charles L. Hill	429	495	924
Blanks	92	89	181
<b>SELECTMAN, 3 yrs.</b>			
Joseph H. Kameese	91	177	268
Charles A. Pickering	222	184	406
Robert L. Smith	200	203	403
Blanks	8	20	28
<b>ASSESSORS, 3 yrs.</b>			
DeSales J. Heath	433	479	912
Blanks	88	105	193

TREASURER/COLLECTOR, 1 yr.

Elizabeth L. Zamaitis	443	485	928
Blanks	78	99	177

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY, 3 yrs.

Barbara A. Perkins	424	453	877
Bruce D. Edson	324	354	678
Blanks	294	361	655

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY, 1 yr.

Hilary A. Murray	404	459	863
Blanks	117	125	242

SCHOOL COMMITTEE, 3 yrs.

Thomas F. Kelley	318	327	645
Joseph Kennedy	269	333	602
Robert W. Kominsky	235	259	494
Blanks	220	249	469

WATER COMMISSIONER, 3 yrs.

Donald Davock	440	481	921
Blanks	81	103	184

BOARD OF HEALTH, 3 yrs.

Judith A. Kinney	434	489	923
Blanks	87	95	182

PLANNING BOARD, 5 yrs.

William E. Turner, Jr.	382	448	830
Blanks	139	136	275

TREE WARDEN, 3 yrs.

Thomas B. MacQuinn	435	494	929
Blanks	86	90	176

CONSTABLES, 3 yrs.

Edwin T. Gibson	384	370	754
Raymond L. Silva	345	341	686
William A. Geary	158	263	349

A true copy,  
Attest: Anna E. Brown  
Town Clerk



# Annual Town Meeting

## June 15, 16, 1983

A meeting of which the inhabitants of the Town of West Bridgewater qualified to vote in Elections and Town Affairs were notified and warned by Warrant issued by the Selectmen and posted by the Constable, Edwin T. Gibson, on June 6, 1983 was held at the Jr.-Sr. High School Auditorium on June 15, 1983. Meeting was called to order at 7:41 P.M. by the Moderator Charles L. Hill.

Invocation was given by Fr. John L. Mansfield, Pastor of St. Ann's Church. Warrant was by the Town Clerk, Anna E. Brown.

236 Voters checked by the Board of Registrars. Guests present were announced by the Moderator.

The following Resolution was made by Eldon F. Moreira, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to Doris Haight:

WHEREAS, Doris Haight has served the Town of West Bridgewater as a public official from 1977 to 1983 as member of the Board of Selectmen, three of those years as Chairman; and

WHEREAS, Doris Haight has given of her time, energy and enthusiasm unstintingly for these six years; and

WHEREAS, Doris Haight has brought distinction to her office as a Selectman and has always been in the forefront promoting the best interests of West Bridgewater, be it

NOW, THEREFORE, RESOLVED: That the Town of West Bridgewater expresses its deep appreciation to Doris Haight and that this RESOLUTION be spread on the records of the Town Clerk and a copy thereof be presented to Doris Haight.

Eldon F. Moreira, *Chairman*  
Charles H. Johnson  
Charles A. Pickering  
Board of Selectmen

Attest: Anna E. Brown, *Town Clerk*

*The meeting proceeded as follows:*

**Article 1. Moved:** The reports of all Town Officers and Committees be accepted as printed in the 1982 Town Report.

So Voted.

**Article 2. Moved:** That the Town Treasurer, with approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow in the anticipation of the revenue of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1983 in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

**Article 3. Moved:** That the Board of Selectmen be authorized to enter into a contract or contracts with the Department of Public Works and the County Commissioners for the construction and maintenance of Public Highways for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1983.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

**Article 4. Moved:** To transfer the sum of \$2,932.90 from the County Dog Fund and the sum of \$3,179.50 from the Library State Aid Account to the Library Expense Account.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

**Article 5. Moved:** The Salary of the following Elected Town Officials for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1983 be set at:

Moderator	\$155.00	Tree Warden	\$21,228.00
Selectmen	4,410.00	Assessors	5,148.00
Town Clerk	16,000.00*	Water Commissioners	3,080.00
Treasurer/Collector	19,420.00	Board of Health	1,153.00

The following committees to serve without pay:

Library Trustees                      School Committee                      Planning Board

\*Motion was made at the adjourned session on June 16 to reconsider Town Clerks Salary. Upon unanimous vote the sum of \$16,000.00 was voted.

Upon vote motion carried.

**Article 6.** To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1983 and to make appropriations for the same.

**Moved:** The Town appropriate \$5,351,951.00 to defray town charges as recommended and voted said sum to be appropriated by salary and expense totals as printed and to meet such expenditures as follows:

From Revenue Sharing:	Casualty Insurance	\$60,000.00
	Group Insurance	130,000.00
	State Unemployment	12,000.00
	Street Lights	36,000.00
From Water Revenue:	Water Budget	137,144.00

and Library Account reduced by Library State Aid \$3,179.50 and County Dog Fund \$2,932.90.

Out of State Travel \$600.00

Amendment made to appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 for Selectmen Secretary's salary instead of the recommended amount of \$14,100.00. Upon vote amendment carried.

Amendment made to appropriate the sum of \$3,800.00 for Auditor in Selectmen's budget. Upon vote motion to amend lost.

Amendment made to appropriate the sum of \$9,600.00 for the salary of the Town Accountant instead of the recommended amount of \$8,500.00. Upon vote amendment carried.

Motion made to reconsider Town Clerk's budget at adjourned session of Town Meeting. Upon unanimous vote motion to reconsider carried.

Motion to appropriate the sum of \$16,000.00 for Town Clerk's salary instead of the recommended amount of \$14,006.00 voted at the first session of the Town Meeting. Upon unanimous vote motion to amend carried.

Motion made to amend the salary of the Dog Officer to \$10,934.00 instead of the recommended amount of \$11,317.00. Upon vote motion lost. Recommended amount of \$11,317.00 was carried.

Motion made to amend salary of the Highway Superintendent appropriate the sum of \$21,000.00 instead of the recommended amount of \$20,000.00. Upon vote the sum of \$21,000.00 was carried.

Motion to amend and appropriate the sum of \$48,970.00 for Water Dept. Labor instead of recommended amount of \$32,831.00 was lost upon vote.

Amendment made to appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for Engineering Service instead of recommended amount of \$100.00. Upon vote motion lost the amount of \$100.00 was carried.

Amendment made to appropriate the sum of \$130,000.00 for Group Insurance instead of the recommended amount of \$168,750.00. After explanation from the Finance Committee the sum of \$130,000.00 was carried.

The following budget was voted:

Moderator	155.00
Finance Committee	100.00
Selectmen	27,640.00
Accountant	11,514.00
Treasurer/Collector	47,863.00
Assessors	17,982.00
Law	13,500.00
Town Clerk	19,600.00

\*Motion to amend Town Schools sum and appropriate the sum of \$2,983,759.00 instead of the recommended amount of \$2,929,432.00. Motion carried.

Election and Registration	7,610.00
Town Hall	21,410.00
Police	541,495.00
Fire Department & Station	210,370.00
Tree Warden & Parks	63,517.00
Sealer of Weights & Measures	790.00
Inspector of Wires	1,160.00
Inspector of Buildings	14,519.00
Inspector of Gas & Plumbing	2,025.00
Dog Officer	15,147.00
Civil Defense	367.00
Planning Board	2,025.00
Board of Appeals	680.00
Conservation Commission	1,000.00



Board of Health	103,741.00
Highway	210,517.00
Veterans Services	31,287.00
Town Schools	2,983,759.00

Motion made to adjourn Town meeting until 7:30 P.M. at the Jr.-Sr. High School Auditorium on June 16, 1983. Meeting adjourned at 11:20 P.M.

## ADJOURNED SESSION ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

June 16, 1983

Meeting called to order at 7:30 P.M. by the Moderator Charles L. Hill. 111 Reg. Voters checked in.

Meeting proceeded as follows:

Southeastern Regional Vocational	72,195.00
Library	59,488.00
Industrial Development	50.00
Industrial Development Finance Authority	100.00
Water	137,144.00
Recreation	3,750.00
Council on Aging	12,715.00
Street Lights	42,000.00
Contributory Retirement	178,958.00
Memorial & Veterans Day	600.00
Town Reports	5,000.00
Christmas Decorations	200.00
Reserve Funds	30,000.00
Memorial Field	500.00
County Aid Agriculture	100.00
Tennis Courts	200.00
Historical Commission	100.00
Multi Health Service	4,093.00
Engineering Service	100.00
Insurance	202,000.00
Bonds & Interest	252,885.00

*Article 7. Moved:* To authorize the School Committee to maintain a State-Aided Vocational program in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 74, General Laws, as amended and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

*Article 8. Moved:* The sum of \$37,464.00 be raised and appropriated to meet the Town's share of \$9,366.00 and in anticipation of reimbursement of the State's share of \$28,098.00 for State Aid Construction and Maintenance.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

*Article 9. Moved:* The sum of \$5,900.00 be raised and appropriated to purchase selective call pagers for the personnel of the Fire Department.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.



*Article 10. Moved:* The Town accept Section 5 of Chapter 59 as amended by Section 4 and Section 5 of Chapter 653 of the Acts of 1982 described as clause 41B an exemption for certain people who have reached the age of 70 prior to the fiscal year for which the exemption is sought.

The law was read by Charles Johnson in its entirety. Upon vote motion carried.

*Article 11. Moved:* The Town accept Section 3 of Chapter 653 of the Acts of 1982 which amends Section 5 of Chapter 59 as added by Chapter 258 of the Acts of 1982 described as Clause 37A — An Exemption for a Blind person who is a legal resident of the Commonwealth and property owner.

The law was read by Charles A. Pickering and upon vote the motion was carried unanimously.

*Article 12. Moved:* The Town accept Section 1 of Chapter 743 of the General Laws, Acts of 1981 as amended by Section 20F, Chapter 653, Acts of 1982 described as clause 17C — an Exemption for certain surviving spouse, persons over 70 and minor children whose parents are deceased.

The law was read by Eldon Moreira and upon counted vote of Yes—49 and No—41, motion carried.

*Article 13. Moved:* The Town accept Section 1, 2, and 3 of Chapter 597 of the General Laws, Acts of 1982 as follows: An Act providing for the issuance without payment of a fee of Distinctive license plates to former prisoners of war — also exempt from Excise tax.

Charles Johnson read the complete law and upon vote motion carried.

*Article 14. Moved:* The Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to discontinue portions of Maple Street easterly of Scotland Street and northerly of Skim Milk Bridge where the abutting land owner on either side is Cumberland Farms and/or Haseoties EtAl and to Deed such discontinued roadway to the abuttors in exchange for suitable access to Skim Milk Bridge and other land of the Town together with title to the Bridge and land abutting Town River.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

*Article 15. Moved:* The sum of \$238,000.00 be transferred from Revenue Sharing Funds for the purpose of insurance coverage \$202,000. and Street Lights \$36,000.00.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

*Article 16. Moved:* The sum of \$1,600.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Water Commissioners to perform maintenance work on water department vehicles.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

*Article 17. Moved:* The sum of \$800.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Water Commissioners to purchase a Mud Sucker Pump.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

*Article 18.* Motion made to pass this article without action. So voted.

**Article 19. Moved:** The sum of \$18,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen for the purchase and equipping of two (2) 1983 Sedan-type cruisers for the Police Department and to authorize and empower the Board of Selectmen to dispose of one 1981 Cruiser in the best interest of the Town.

Motion made to amend to read the sum of \$18,000.00 to be raised and appropriated for the purchase and equipping of two (2) 1983 Sedan-type cruisers for the Police Department and to authorize and empower the Board of Selectmen to dispose of 1979 and 1981 cruisers in the best interest of the Town. Upon counted vote for the amendment of Yes—51 and No—43 amendment carried.

**Article 20. Moved:** The sum of \$2,000.00 be raised and appropriated to purchase a moving radar unit for the Police Department.

Upon counted vote of Yes—45 and No—42 motion carried.

**Article 21. Moved:** The sum of \$2,000.00 be raised and appropriated to purchase a copy machine for the Police Department.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

**Article 22. Moved:** The sum of \$450.00 be raised and appropriated to purchase a roof light assembly for the Police Department Cruiser.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

**Article 23. Moved:** That the operation of the transfer station and the Sanitary Landfill and any applicable funds from the Board of Health be transferred to the Highway Department.

Upon vote motion carried.

**Article 24. Moved:** The sum of \$5,900.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to purchase the Street Sweeper presently leased.

Upon vote motion carried.

**Article 25. Moved:** The Town rescind the affirmative vote on Article 33 of the March 13, 1967 Town Meeting and substitute therefor:

The Board of Selectmen be authorized to convey a parcel of land owned by the Town and described as follows: Being a portion of land purchased by the Town of West Bridgewater for the MacDonald School and included in Parcel #9 described in Article 1 of the Special Town Meeting of February 1, 1966 and further bounded as follows:

Located in West Bridgewater off the westerly side of North Elm Street and beginning at the southwest corner of land of Harry J. and Edna B. Sawyer, thence, S 77° 21' 52" W, a distance of 13.00 ft. by remaining land of the Town to a corner and a turn,

thence, N 30° 35' 18" W, a distance of 191.12 ft. continuing by land of the Town to a corner in a stone wall at land of Alma Raleigh,

thence, N 76° 07' 29" E, a distance of 83.00 ft. by land of Alma Raleigh and C. Anne Butler to a stake set in the wall for a corner at land of said Sawyer,

thence, S 09° 11' 04" E, a distance of 183.94 ft. by land of said Sawyer to the point of beginning,

and further containing 8789 sq. ft. more or less as shown on Plan of Land in West Bridgewater by C. A. Pickering Associates, Inc., dated March 5, 1983 to be recorded with the instrument of conveyance at the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

**Article 26. Moved:** The sum of \$1,003.04 be raised and appropriated to pay unpaid bills for fiscal 1982-1983 as follows:

Law — Legal expense, \$1,003.04

Upon vote motion carried.

**Article 27. Moved:** The Town authorize the Water Commissioners to make application and accept State and Federal Grants for improvements in the Town's Water system.

Upon vote motion carried.

**Article 28. Moved:** The Town change the date of the Annual Town Meeting from the second Monday in April to the second Tuesday in June by amending the Town By-Laws under Article 1, Section 2A to read "The Annual Business of the Town shall be held on the second Tuesday in June at 7:30 o'clock in the evening to transact any business that may legally come before it."

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

**Article 29. Moved:** The Town change the date of delivery of the Town reports from "No Later than April 1" by amending the Town By-Laws under Article VII, Section 8, to read "at Least one week prior to the beginning of the Annual Town Meeting."

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

**Article 30. Moved:** The Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,900.00 to be expended by the Board of Selectmen for a new hydraulic Sand-Spreader for the Highway Department and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of the 1969 Sand-Spreader in the best interest of the Town.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

**Article 31. Moved:** To pass without action. So voted.

**Article 32. Moved:** The sum of \$58,539.00 be transferred from Surplus Revenue to be used for the purpose of reducing the Tax Rate for the Fiscal year July 1, 1983 to June 30, 1984.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

**Article 33. Moved:** To adjourn the meeting. So voted. Meeting adjourned at 10:22 P.M.

A true copy,  
Attest: Anna E. Brown, CMC  
Town Clerk



## Special Town Meeting October 13, 1983

A meeting of which the inhabitants of the Town of West Bridgewater qualified to vote in elections and town affairs were notified by warrant issued by the Board of Selectmen and posted by the Constable Edwin T. Gibson, on Sept. 29, 1983 was held at the Jr.-Sr. High School Auditorium on Oct. 13, 1983. Meeting called to order by the Town Clerk Anna E. Brown at 7:30 P.M.

65 Registered voters checked in.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Charles L. Hill, Moderator, who passed away in June.

Eldon Moreira, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, introduced our Special Counsel, John Lee.

Nominations were called for the election of a Moderator pro tem.

Nomination was made for John Eldridge to act as Moderator. Nomination was made and seconded for Lawrence Conant.

Town Clerk asked for a standing vote for each candidate, there being no objections. The following results were announced: John Eldridge, 33 votes; Lawrence Conant, 29 votes. John Eldridge was elected Moderator pro tem.

There being no objections the reading of Warrant was waived. The meeting proceeded as follows:

**Article 1. Moved:** The sum of \$4,281.02 be raised and appropriated to pay the following old bills for fiscal 1982-1983:

Estabrook & Chamberlain	\$963.91
Russell A. Wheatley Co., Inc.	112.50
SCA Services of New England	2,977.00
Animal Clinic on Wheels	50.00
Trucchi's Market	177.61

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

**Article 2. Moved:** The Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply and expend Federal and/or State Funds which may become available and for which the Town is eligible.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

**Article 3. Moved:** The Town vote to authorize the School Committee to dispose of surplus equipment and materials from the Public Schools.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

**Article 4. Moved:** The Town vote to approve a new By-Law entitled "Registration of Burglar Alarm Systems" and authorize the Board of Selectmen upon the recommendation of the Chief of Police to establish regulations governing burglar alarm systems as follows:



Chapter 19  
Police Department

*Article II — Signal and Alarms*

Sec. 11 Burglar Alarm Systems, Registration and Regulation

Every user of a burglar alarm system consisting of an assembly of electronic equipment and devices or a single device such as a solid state electronic unit which plugs directly into a 110 volt AC electric service or which is operated by electric storage battery arranges to signal the presence of a hazard requiring urgent attention and to which police are expected to respond shall register such system with the Chief of Police, conform with the requirements of this by-law and such regulations as may be promulgated by the Board of Selectmen upon recommendation of the Chief.

Fire alarm systems and alarm systems which monitor temperature, smoke, humidity or any other condition not related to the detection of an unauthorized intrusion into a premises or an attempted robbery or breaking and entering at a premises are specifically excluded from the provisions of this by-law.

The users of such burglar alarm systems shall be subject to such penalties and fines established herein for failure to conform with the requirements of this by-law. The provisions of penalty of fine shall not apply to any governmental agency.

All burglar alarm systems shall conform to the following:

A. Every alarm user shall submit to the Police Chief, the names and telephone numbers of at least two (2) other persons who are authorized to respond to an emergency signal transmitted by an alarm system and who can open the premises wherein the alarm system is installed and curtail the alarm signal.

B. All alarm systems installed after the effective date of this by-law which utilize an audible horn, bell or siren shall be equipped with a device that will shut off such horn, siren or bell within ten (10) minutes after activation of the alarm system.

C. No automatic dialing device shall be interconnected to any telephone numbers at the Police Department after the effective date of this by-law.

D. Within six (6) months after the effective date of this by-law, all automatic dialing devices interconnected to any telephone number or numbers at the Police Department shall be disconnected therefrom. The user shall be responsible for having the device disconnected upon notification by the Police Chief. Continued use after notification shall constitute a nuisance subject to a fine hereinafter provided for.

The following shall constitute a nuisance:

A. A "false alarm" requesting, requiring or resulting in a response on the part of the Police Department to a premise on which there is an alarm system when in fact, there has been no unauthorized intrusion, robbery, burglary or attempt thereat. The "false alarm" may consist of the activation of an alarm system through mechanical failure, malfunction, improper installation and/or negligence of the user, his employees or agents resulting in any signal or oral

communication with the Police Department.

B. An alarm system emitting an audible, continuous and uninterrupted signal consisting of any form of whoop, wail or ringing for more than fifteen (15) minutes between the hours of 7:00 P.M. and 6:00 A.M. which cannot be shut off or otherwise curtailed due to the absence or unavailability of the alarm user or those designated by him in paragraph A. above and which disturbs the peace, comfort or repose of a community, a neighborhood or inhabitants of an area where the alarm can be heard shall constitute a public nuisance. The Police Chief or his designee shall cause to be recorded the names and addresses of all complaints and the time of each complaint or occurrence.

Upon receipt of three (3) or more “false alarms” or occurrences of a public nuisance within a calendar year, the Police Chief and/or his designee may:

- 1) order the user to discontinue the use of the alarm;
- 2) disconnect any direct connection to the Police Department;
- 3) order that further connections to the communications console in the Police Department will be contingent upon the user equipping any alarm system with a device that will shut off any audible horn, siren or bell within ten (10) minutes after activation of the alarm system.

The Police Chief shall assess the user a fee of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) as a “false alarm” service fee for each false alarm in excess of three (3) occurring within a calendar year. All fees so assessed shall be payable to the Treasurer/Collector for deposit in the general fund.

Amendment made to strike out the words “open the premises wherein the alarm system is installed and” in paragraph A. under all burglar alarm systems shall conform to the following:

Upon vote amendment lost.

Upon vote original motion defeated.

**Article 5. Moved:** The Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to cause a codification and reorganization of the Town By-Laws, Zoning By-Laws and regulations (revised 1980) to be known as “Town of West Bridgewater By-Laws, revised 1983” and approve the insertion of the following new By-Law: “Chapter 1, General Provisions” as printed in the Town Meeting Handout:

*Sec. 1 - Citation and effect of revised by-laws.*

The by-laws contained in this chapter and in the chapters following shall constitute and be designated as “The Town of West Bridgewater By-Laws revised 1983,” and may be so cited. So far as their provisions are the same, in effect, as those of previously existing by-laws, they shall be construed as a continuation of such by-laws.

*Sec. 2 - Prospective effect of Revised By-Laws, continuation of decisions, repeal of by-laws.*

The Town of West Bridgewater By-Laws, revised 1983 and the repeal of any by-law shall not affect any act done, or any right accruing, accrued or established, or any litigation or proceeding commenced before the time such



repeal shall take effect, nor any offense committed, nor any penalty incurred, nor any litigation or prosecution pending at the time for any offense committed, nor for the recovery of any penalty already incurred.

Any by-law hereafter enacted which shall repeal a former by-law, shall not, when itself repealed, be construed to revive such former by-law, clause or provision, unless expressly provided in the repealing by-law.

### *Sec. 3 - Effective date of Revised By-Laws.*

The Town of West Bridgewater By-Laws, revised 1983 and the amendments or additions thereto shall be in full force and effect upon enactment at a Town meeting, review by the Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and certification and publication by the Town Clerk for a period of seven (7) days or as may be otherwise provided by the M.G.L.

### *Sec. 4 - Amendments and additions to by-laws - Manner of Making.*

Whenever the Town shall adopt any by-law in amendment of, or in addition to, these the Town of West Bridgewater By-laws, revised 1983, it shall be by amending or repealing the specific section of a specific chapter dealing with the subject matter of the proposed change. Such chapter and section must be referred to by number to maintain the existing structure of these by-laws.

Amendments, additions and subject matter of proposed by-laws shall be enacted in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L.

### *Sec. 5 - Official By-Laws - clerk to keep Master Copy.*

The Town Clerk shall maintain and keep the original or master copy of all by-laws in a loose-leaf format organized in Chapters and Sections as established in "The Town of West Bridgewater By-laws, revised 1983" or thereafter amended. All by-laws hereafter enacted and approved shall be inserted in said loose-leaf format by the Clerk in the appropriate Chapter and Section. The Clerk shall provide one copy of all current by-laws to each member of the Board of Selectmen and shall keep such copy current.

The Clerk shall maintain the Master Copy in such a state of organization and in a clean and neat typed condition for direct reproduction and shall provide such copies of the whole or part thereof that may be requested by individuals from time to time.

The Master Copy shall be kept in addition to and separate from other records of by-laws required to be kept by the Town Clerk.

### *Sec. 6 - Catchlines and footnotes to Sections.*

The catchlines of Sections under each Chapter of these by-laws are intended as mere catchwords to indicate the contents of the section, and shall not be deemed or taken to be titles of such section, nor, unless expressly so provided, shall they be so deemed when any of such sections, including the catchlines, are amended or re-enacted.

Footnotes or subscripted references shall be appended to amended sections or added sections to provide reference to source or date of enactment of each by-law and section. There also may be appended references to MGL where useful

for further explanation or where clarification of the by-law is necessary. These references like catchlines are not to be construed as a part of the By-law.

*Sec. 7 - Severability.*

It is declared to be the intention of the Town that the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and phrases of this collection of by-laws are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section shall be declared unconstitutional or invalid by judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality or invalidity shall not affect any of the remainder, since the same would have been enacted by the Town without the incorporation of the unconstitutional or invalid phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section.

*Sec. 8 - Fines and penalties to inure to use of Town.*

All fines and penalties for the violation of any by-law of the Town, when recovered, shall inure to the use of the Town, and be paid into the Treasury, unless otherwise directed by MGL or Town By-law.

*Sec. 9 - Regulations and affect on By-Law.*

It is the intention of these by-laws that the various Boards, Department, Committees and Officers of the Town wherein authorized by the Town By-law establishing the duties of such Board, Department, Committee or Office shall make such Regulations as required and necessary to carry out said duties.

Regulations authorized herein and established in accordance with procedures hereinafter specified shall have the effect of by-law unless same shall be declared unconstitutional, invalid or shall be curtailed by Town Meeting vote.

Regulations established by the various Boards, Departments, Committees and Officers of the Town shall be published and appended to these by-laws and inserted in the appropriate Chapter herein and shall be maintained and made available to all persons in the manner of these by-laws as required by Section 5 above.

*Sec. 10 - Regulations, Manner of Making.*

Any Board, Department, Committee or Officer of the Town which is authorized to establish Regulations governing the administration of their several duties shall establish such regulation in the following manner:

1) Proposed regulations shall be established and published, posted in the Town Hall and filed with the Town Clerk for a minimum period of 14 days prior to enactment by a majority vote of the Board, Department or Committee requiring regulations.

2) Prior to the enactment of regulations, a public hearing shall be held with a minimum of fourteen (14) days notice by publishing in a local newspaper at least once in each of two succeeding weeks prior to the hearing. The purpose of the hearing shall be to invite comment, seek public assistance regarding the most appropriate manner of administration of the proposed regulations, and to enlighten the public as to the reasons why the regulations are required.



3) The proposed regulations shall be modified, if necessary and desirable as a result of information obtained at the public hearing, voted upon by the Board, Department or Committee and posted for a minimum of fourteen (14) days prior to becoming effective.

Nothing contained herein shall take precedent over provisions of the MGL and the regulation making authority already bestowed upon various Boards which establish their authority upon specific Laws of the Commonwealth. In addition, nothing contained herein shall curtail the authority of any Board, Department, Committee or Officer of the Town to make emergency regulations as may be authorized.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

**Article 6. Moved:** The Town vote to accept the March 22, 1976 layout of Forest Street, laid out by the Board of Selectmen in Accordance with MGL Chapter 82, Section 23 and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take by eminent domain, purchase, or accept by gift, such land as is necessary to effect the layout and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for the purpose of acquiring land in connection with the laying out of Forest Street.

By counted vote of Yes—62, No—1, motion carried.

**Article 7. Moved:** The sum of \$25,565.00 be raised and appropriated to pay the following negotiated increases for Town Employees:

By Department:

Accountant	\$130.00
Treasurer/Collector	1,325.00
Assessors	760.00
Town Clerk	170.00
Board of Health	85.00
Veterans Services	305.00
Tree & Parks Dept.	1,900.00
Highway Department	2,470.00
Police	16,535.00
Library	565.00
Water	1,320.00

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

**Article 8. Moved:** To pass this article without action. So voted.

**Article 9. Moved:** The sum of \$22,000.00 be raised and appropriated to purchase a new chassis for the Town Ambulance and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of the Old Chassis in the best interest of the Town.

Upon vote motion carried.

**Article 10. Moved:** The sum of \$18,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen for paving of driveways on School Department properties.

Upon vote motion carried.

*Article 11. Moved:* The Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$28,000.00 for the Stabilization Fund.

*Article 12.* To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Motion made meeting be adjourned. So voted. Meeting adjourned at 8:47 P.M.

A true copy,  
Attest: Anna E. Brown, *CMC*  
Town Clerk

## Special Town Meeting November 28, 1983

A meeting of which the inhabitants of the Town of West Bridgewater qualified to vote in elections and town affairs were notified by warrant issued by the Board of Selectmen and posted by the constable Edwin T. Gibson, on Nov. 14, 1983 was held at the Jr.-Sr. High School Auditorium on Nov. 28, 1983. Meeting called to order by the Town Clerk Anna E. Brown at 7:30 P.M. Forty-three voters checked in.

Nominations were called for, for the election of a Moderator pro tem.

Nomination was made for John Eldridge.

Nomination was made and seconded for Lawrence Conant.

Town Clerk asked for a standing vote for each candidate. The following were the results: John Eldridge, 24 votes; Lawrence Conant, 16 votes. John Eldridge was elected Moderator pro tem.

The warrant and its returns was read by the Town Clerk, Anna E. Brown.

Meeting proceeded as follows:

*Article 1. Moved:* The sum of \$6,800.00 be raised and appropriated to meet negotiated increases for the Fire Department for fiscal 1983-1984.

So voted.

This article was later voted to be reconsidered because of the wording of the motion and the following motion made.

**Moved:** The sum of \$6,800.00 be transferred from the Free Cash Account to meet negotiated increases for the Fire Department for Fiscal 1983-1984. Upon vote motion carried.

*Article 2. Moved:* The sum of \$1,500.00 be raised and appropriated to enclose the front office of the Police Station.

Motion to amend to read transfer from free cash account.

Upon vote amendment and motion carried unanimously.

**Article 3. Moved:** The sum of \$900.00 be transferred from Free Cash Account to add to the Police Salary account to fulfill contractual obligations for fiscal 1983-1984.

Motion made to amend to read: \$900.00 be transferred from Free Cash Account to add to the Equipment for men in Police Account.

Upon vote motion and amendment carried unanimously.

Motion made to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:51 P.M.

A true copy,

Attest: Anna E. Brown, *CMC*  
Town Clerk

## Births Recorded in 1983

### January

1	Stacy Marie Parker	Kevin A. & Patricia J. Holcomb
20	Patrick Russell Menton	James C. & Jeanne M. Russell

### February

10	Benjamin Alden Baird	Richard Orval & Beverley A. Cross
13	Taylor Joseph Craig	Joseph M. & Linda Irene Benedict
22	Samantha Lynn Reilly	Mark L. & Bonnie Helene MacWilliams
25	Michael Douglas King	James E. & Susan Marie Green

### March

2	Tara Jean O'Connor	Peter E. & Pamela Jean Carbonara
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### April

6	Jennifer Lyn Hohengasser	Ernest J. & Joy Lorene Anderson
9	Jamie Lee Hamlin	William J. & Denise M. Carrell
14	Michelle Skidmore	Norman B., Jr. & Amy C. Asker
17	Jeremy Edwin Disbrow	Wilbur C. & Judith A. Cort
19	Nathan Paul Tisdale	Paul Davis & Deborah F. Lindberg
23	Rachell Elizabeth Anderson	Conrad F. & Eileen D. Donahue

### May

8	Charles E. Bunker, Jr.	Charles E. & Rose F. Dicorina
13	Lisa Michelle Lewellan	Thomas C. & Antoinette Mancini
19	Kimberly Nicole Ryan	Edward M. & Barbara E. Johnson
20	Kristian Michael DeMarino	Robert F., Sr. & Audrey E. Richards
22	Christopher Stephen Rogers	Stephen Raymond & Beth Ann Beaulieu
23	Kathleen Ann Whynock	Scott Earnest & Judith Ann Duarte



## June

13	Katie Elizabeth Monahan	Michael Brian & Barbara Holiver
16	Ricky Centeio daSilva	Mateus Roque & Maria Luisa Centeio
16	Michael Christopher Mullett	James Mullett & Kathleen Marie Harrison
24	Elyse Ann Murray	Richard William & Ann St. Onge

## July

1	Amanda Coleete Forbes	Richard M., Jr. & Robin L. Johnson
7	Stephanie Anne Kessler	Joel S. & Jean E. Doran
8	Steven Alger Wohlen	John C. & Linda M. Alger
10	Jeffrey Adam Fortin	Ronald Arthur & Donna Jean Asack
15	Lindsey Megan Burley	Mark K. & Susan I. Comerford
15	David Michael Componeschi	John A., Jr. & Lisa C. McDonald
24	Christopher Robert Holmgren	Scott D. & Maureen A. Griffin
25	Brenton Alexander Pitt	Earle William, Jr. & Cheryl Ann Brenton
25	Mark Adam Vera	Leonard J. & Georgia-Ruth Pappas
26	Christopher David Enos	Stephen J. & Cathleen Gayle O'Neill
28	Courtney April Magliano	Michael F. & Sharon J. Kelley
29	Lori Hahn	Richard M. & Joanne Looney

## August

1	Leslie Ann Emord	Jos. L. Emord, Jr. & Christine M. Lindgren
2	Shannon Elizabeth Rudolph	Wayne S. & Geraldine A. Livrago
7	Cristina Angela Balboni	Narcisco & Melina J. Pino
9	Amanda Lee Collins	Michael R. & Pauline R. Baillie
9	Jeffrey Peter Russell, Jr.	Jeffrey P. & Susan E. Linbey
15	Jessica Lee Tibbetts	Mark S. & Michele R. Swartz
19	Michael Lewis Savage	Russell Emery & Joanna E. Osborne

## September

8	Joseph Andrew Arruda	Joseph & Denise Arruda
11	David Louis Mello	Craig L. & Ann E. Trostel
12	Scott Turner Golder	Paul T. & Janice Hatch
15	Sean Michael Brodeur	Maurice A. & Marilyn J. Shores
17	Kristen Michele Sullivan	Donald J. & Sharon L. Roberts
22	Bryan Edward Engstrom	Bruce E. & Judy A. Richard

## October

6	Mark Christopher Norton	Christopher M. & Janice L. Norton
12	Paula Jean Mazzoli	Paul V. & Gail L. Mazzoli
25	Christopher Michael Major	Stanley A. & Bonnie L. Major

## November

3	Jane Louise Marcotte	Edward L. & Lucia W. Foye
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## December

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| 3  | Bonnie Ann Kucinski      | Christopher D. & Janet M. Guffey |
| 9  | Brandon Alexander Benvie | Donald A. & Sally C. Short       |
| 13 | Joshua Michael Cappiello | Michael M. & Brenda L. Murphy    |
| 16 | Alden Egan Colby         | Mark & Pamela Alice Egan         |
| 18 | Joseph Mark Mardo        | Joseph E. & Lorraine Marie Smith |
| 28 | Douglas Cameron Jones    | Ronald S. & Heather J. Miller    |
| 29 | Kelly Ann Burke          | Daniel G. & Ann L. Puopolo       |

## Marriages Recorded in 1983

### January

- 7 Thomas C. Horton of S. Easton and Lisa J. Dotson of S. Easton at W. Bridgewater

### February

- 13 William Charles Hobbs of Brockton and Patricia Sue Rossi of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater

### March

- 26 Ronald L. Shaw of W. Bridgewater and Jeanne E. Pare of W. Bridgewater at E. Bridgewater

### April

- 23 Michael John Castro of Raynham and Deborah Lee Skillings of W. Bridgewater at Brockton

### May

- 7 Mark H. Schmidt of Brockton and Linda E. Wrobel of Brockton at W. Bridgewater
- 14 Gordon Royal Hodgdon of Brockton and Anne L. Bates of W. Bridgewater at E. Bridgewater
- 15 Robert N. Sullivan of W. Bridgewater and Karen M. Peirce of Bridgewater at Bridgewater
- 15 Luciano M. Ruberto of Brockton and Shirley J. Bercovitz of Brockton at Brockton
- 21 Richard A. Bell, Jr. of Brockton and Debra A. Oswell of W. Bridgewater at Brockton
- 28 Joseph P. Calitri of W. Bridgewater and Deborah L. Hart of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater
- 28 Vasilios Grantsis of Brockton and Deana M. Lindquist of W. Bridgewater at Brockton
- 29 Dennis Maloney of Randolph and Nancy Carbone of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater

## June

- 4 Ronald Crump of Brockton and Lynne Piesco of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater
- 10 Edward Cripps of Taunton and Sharon Quinton of Taunton at E. Bridgewater
- 10 Robert Smith of N. Easton and Pamela Swann of W. Bridgewater at Brockton
- 17 Alton Jennette, Jr. of W. Bridgewater and Cheryl Flint of E. Bridgewater at E. Bridgewater
- 19 Mark Smith of Wareham and Pamela Noyes of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater
- 25 Donald Hamilton of W. Bridgewater and Cathy Jean Herrick of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater

## July

- 9 Thomas Tucker of Weymouth and Carmen Palermo of Portland, ME at Brockton
- 15 Romie Stroth of East Lake, Ohio and Diane Vaughan of Brockton at Abington
- 16 Peter Knox of W. Bridgewater and Janice Paquette of W. Bridgewater at Brockton
- 24 Gregory York of W. Bridgewater and Nancy Perry of W. Bridgewater at Brockton

## August

- 1 David Hunt of W. Bridgewater and Maureen Briggs of W. Bridgewater at E. Bridgewater
- 6 Edward J. McCaffrey of Middleboro and Evelyn Savard of Middleboro at Middleboro
- 13 James W. Sederberg of Brockton and Janet Brown of Brockton at W. Bridgewater
- 13 James L. Bird, II of W. Bridgewater and Kelly M. Worster of Carmel, ME at W. Bridgewater
- 20 Michael F. Rapoza of Brockton and Barbara S. Knight of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater
- 20 Paul J. Baldwin of Brockton and Donna L. Spillane of W. Bridgewater at E. Bridgewater

## September

- 3 Philip J. Voyer of Saco, ME and Nancy L. Waite of W. Bridgewater at Bridgewater
- 3 Phillip M. McKinnon of Bridgewater and Tracy E. Riordan of Bridgewater
- 4 Stephen M. Yarmalovicz of W. Bridgewater and Karen A. Cunningham of Weymouth at Bridgewater
- 4 Ronald A. Creales of W. Bridgewater and Bernardita San Diego of W. Bridgewater at Raynham
- 10 Michael D. McNeill of W. Bridgewater and Donna Smith of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater

- 10 Paul T. Huska of Brockton and Jeanne M. Amberman of Brockton
- 10 Bradford E. Herrick, Jr. of W. Bridgewater and Lauren K. Almond of Bridgewater
- 17 Thomas C. Lordan, III of W. Bridgewater and Cheryl Ann Rezendes of W. Bridgewater
- 18 William A. Murray of E. Bridgewater and Stephanie J. Delutis of Bridgewater
- 24 Michael Jenness of W. Bridgewater and Charlene M. Young of W. Bridgewater

#### October

- 15 David E. Earle of E. Bridgewater and Donna L. Atkinson of Brockton at W. Bridgewater
- 15 David V. Paulson of Brooklyn, NY and Nancy A. Carrozza of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater
- 15 Michael St. George of W. Bridgewater and Sandra J. Robinson of W. Bridgewater at Avon
- 16 Michael Condon of W. Bridgewater and Heather Caldeira of W. Bridgewater at Bridgewater
- 22 Richard Place Anderson of W. Bridgewater and Kimberly Louise Barter of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater
- 29 Michael J. Norton of W. Bridgewater and Nancy J. Bianchi of W. Bridgewater at Norton

#### November

- 12 Thomas E. Caffelle, Jr. of Thompson, CT and Terri A. Barnes of Leominster at Brockton
- 19 Timothy R. Wright of W. Bridgewater and Laura A. Corkum of S. Easton at Easton

#### December

- 8 Jeffrey Anderson of W. Bridgewater and Dawn E. Wood of W. Bridgewater at Mansfield
- 31 Walter R. Berry of Brockton and Martha D. Outlaw of Brockton at Brockton

## Deaths Recorded in 1983

#### January

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2 Joseph E. Norris</li> <li>16 Thomas Joseph Bedore</li> <li>17 Grace Hope Hall</li> <li>26 Mary Ann Cassiani</li> <li>30 Donald Paul Wood</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>63 Hepatic encephalopathy</li> <li>59 Cardiogenic shock</li> <li>86 Arteriosclerotic heart disease</li> <li>78 Acute myocardial infarction and cardiogenic shock</li> <li>61 Metastatic adenocarcinoma of pancreas</li> </ul> |
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## February

8	Lindsey A. Card	7 mos.	Asphyxia secondary to aspiration
9	Herman Geroge Anderson	87	Renal failure
9	Arthur Bemister Squires	80	Cardiac arrest
28	William Russell Roscoe	79	Arteriosclerotic heart disease

## March

5	Ruby Beatrice Thomas	86	Arteriosclerosis, cereb. and coronary
8	Earl Clifton Gifford	76	Congestive cardiomyopathy
14	Thomas Bernier	90	Arteriosclerotic cardiovascular dis.
29	Mary M. Pocius	88	Cardiac arrest

## April

3	Harland Aubrey Morse	74	Cardiac
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## May

7	Carl Gunnar Nordgren	74	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
16	Sam Russell Fraser	80	Heart disease, arteriosclerotic
30	Elmer C. Wipperman	73	Pneumonitis lymphoma

## June

6	Eva D. Rosenstock	83	Cardiac arrest
7	Helen E. Gaucher	69	Multiple myeloma
7	John P. Steeves	89	Cancer of bladder
10	Hope G. Harlow	84	Chronic obstructive lung disease
15	Marion C. Pierce	95	Cardiac arrest
21	Charles L. Hill	70	Cardiac arrhythmia
26	Sherwood W. Jackson	54	Coronary arteriosclerosis
27	Harvey L. Bryant	69	Cardiogenic shock

## July

21	Pauline Boyd	42	Metastatic breast cancer
22	Austin Crane Cole	86	Prostate cancer
25	Matilda Augusta Rosen	91	Carcinoma of cecum
28	Anne M. Lydon	83	Cardio-respiratory arrest

## August

9	Antonio D'Ambrosio	90	Ischemia of colon
22	Katherine E. Garvey	92	Renal failure
23	Alfred Ernest Lariviere	76	Lung cancer

## September

5	Michael A. Purpura	77	1 Myocardial infarction
9	Mark Edward Lindquist	22	Hemorrhage within chest
14	Priscilla R. Comerford	50	Heart disease arteriosclerotic
14	Alexandro Cacchione	68	Metastatic carcinoma



## October

8	Joseph S. Moreira	87	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
12	Jennie F. Coletta	78	Metastatic endometrial carcinoma
20	Paul Dean Keith	58	Cardio-respiratory arrest
30	Mary Frances Flannery	67	Cardio-pulmonary arrest
31	Elmer O. Hunt	82	Heart disease

## November

1	Ralph Albion Copeland	88	Respiratory arrest
16	Marion Louise Dacey	57	Cardio-pulmonary arrest
22	Joseph Emmet Forrester	69	Respiratory failure
23	Walter John Hollis	72	Cardiac arrest
23	Vincent Vernetta Buckley	79	Massive CVA
27	Henry A. Tsika	64	Cardio-pulmonary arrest
29	Christine Marie Thomas	9	Cardio-respiratory arrest
30	Eva Perry	96	Cardio-pulmonary arrest

## December

5	Frances S. Pingree	95	Myocard. ischemia due to hypotens.
13	Robert Frank Moore	48	Rupture of aorta
20	Dorothy Mae Porter	57	Pneumonia, aspiration
22	Hjalmar F. Soderholm	89	Pulmonary complications following fracture of left hip
25	Clarence Primrose Smith	86	Arteriosclerosis

## Jurors Drawn — 1983

Kenneth W. Allen	Criminal/Civil
Valerie Altieri	Criminal/Civil
Carolyn Anderson	Criminal/Civil
Laverne D. Anderson	Criminal/Civil
Ronald C. Ashley	Criminal/Civil
William P. Bystrom	Criminal/Civil
Alexander Cacchoine, Sr.	Criminal/Civil
Joseph P. Calitri	Criminal/Civil
Judith A. Cannizzaro	Criminal/Civil
Joane E. Chafe	Criminal/Civil
Robert L. Chipoli	Criminal/Civil
Nanci Connolly	Criminal/Civil
Paul B. Connolly	Criminal/Civil
David C. Chubbuck	Criminal/Civil
Camillo P. DiBattista	Criminal/Civil
Deborah Doyle	Criminal/Civil
John S. Drikwater	Criminal/Civil
Patricia C. Everett	Criminal/Civil
Dianne J. Frabetti	Criminal/Civil

Peter N. Gezotis, Jr. ....	Criminal/Civil
Russell A. Gingras ....	Criminal/Civil
Margaret I. Goff ....	Criminal/Civil
Leonad W. Graf, III ....	Criminal/Civil
Robert L. Grippen ....	Criminal/Civil
Robert A. Hazlett ....	Criminal/Civil
Craig B. Harding ....	Criminal/Civil
Lillian M. Harvey ....	Criminal/Civil
Harold D. Hathaway ....	Criminal/Civil
Lynn A. Hayward ....	Grand Jury
Ivalee Humphreys ....	Criminal/Civil
Christopher Iannitelli ....	Criminal/Civil
Doris L. Jensen ....	Criminal/Civil
Louis R. Kaminsky ....	Criminal/Civil
Ruth M. Keller ....	Criminal/Civil
Natalie J. King ....	Criminal/Civil
Robert A. Langley ....	Criminal/Civil
Margaret E. Leary ....	Criminal/Civil
Robert E. Lindgren ....	Criminal/Civil
Claire A. McKearney ....	Criminal/Civil
Dorothy May Monahan ....	Criminal/Civil
William Murray ....	Grand Jury
Robert E. Nye ....	Criminal/Civil
Allen S. Pensinger ....	Criminal/Civil
Elsie M. Perry ....	Criminal/Civil
Joan A. Read ....	Criminal/Civil
Donna L. Reid ....	Criminal/Civil
Ellen M. Reizovic ....	Criminal/Civil
Henry G. Rothenhafer ....	Criminal/Civil
Richard M. Roy ....	Criminal/Civil
Clyde D. Sanford ....	Grand Jury
Dorothy H. Setterlund ....	Criminal/Civil
Robert Sigren ....	Criminal/Civil
Dorothy A. Slack ....	Criminal/Civil
Richard A. Swanson ....	Criminal/Civil
Mary J. Thayer ....	Criminal/Civil
Algie Tubis ....	Criminal/Civil
Maurice F. Twomey ....	Criminal/Civil
Roberta Ward ....	Criminal/Civil
Caroline A. Ware ....	Criminal/Civil
George Webby ....	Criminal/Civil
John G. Wood ....	Criminal/Civil
Frank A. Zipeto ....	Criminal/Civil

# MISCELLANEOUS LICENSES ISSUED

## DOG LICENSES FISH & GAME LICENSES

Following monies received in Town Clerk's office and paid to the Treasurer:

Miscellaneous	\$25,863.70
Dog Licenses Fees	1,629.25
Fish & Game Fees	216.75
TOTAL	<u>\$27,709.70</u>

Fish and Game Licenses Paid to Division of Fish and Wildlife	5,587.75
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Dog Licenses Paid to Treasurer for County	2,786.75
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A true copy,  
Attest: Anna E. Brown  
Town Clerk

## CIVIL DEFENSE

Once again Lady Luck has smiled upon the Town of West Bridgewater. Since there were no emergencies, no expense was incurred by you, the taxpayers.

Any family requiring shelter due to power failure, etc., please call any one of the following numbers:

Civil Defense Director	586-1394
Fire Department	586-4137
Police Department	586-2528

Your Civil Defense Staff consists of the following personnel:

Ronald Snell, Deputy Defense Director  
Harry Ketler, Chief Communication Officer  
Bruce Adams, Traffic Officer  
Elmer Walker, Shelter Manager  
John A. Dacey, Message Officer  
Warren E. Turner, Radio Officer  
Richard Leonard, Electrical Officer  
Robert Werner, Information Officer  
Two doctors and two nurses

Respectfully submitted,  
Michael Manugian  
Civil Defense Director

# REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

I herewith submit the Annual Report of the West Bridgewater Police Department for the year 1983.

Complaints .....	2,997
Investigations .....	6,973
Breaking and Entering .....	71
Larceny (including Larceny by Check) .....	165
Arrests (Total) .....	430
Male Adult .....	358
Female Adult .....	36
Male Juvenile .....	34
Female Juvenile .....	2

Following is a breakdown of some of the arrests as listed above. Not included are misdemeanors and traffic violations.

Assault and Battery .....	39
Robberies .....	4
Breaking and Entering (Residential) .....	38
Breaking and Entering (Commercial) .....	33
Larceny More .....	95
Larceny Less .....	70
Rape .....	1
Attempted Rape .....	1
Indecent Assault & Battery .....	2
Operating Under the Influence .....	122

## Miscellaneous

Accidents (Total) .....	330
Buildings Found Open .....	66
Assist Ambulance .....	265
Transport to Mental Health Facility .....	6
Assist Other Towns (Total) .....	303
Officers Assaulted .....	2
Attempted Kidnapping .....	1
Fire Calls Covered .....	57
Alarms Answered .....	721
House Checks .....	112
Missing Persons .....	11
Vehicles Stolen .....	34
Vehicles Recovered .....	54
Unexpected Deaths .....	6
Persons in Protective Custody .....	68
Value of Property Stolen .....	\$242,409
Value of Property Recovered .....	\$235,338



## Traffic

Accidents .....	330
Fatals .....	0
Property Damage .....	226
Accidents with Injuries .....	127
Auto Violations to Court .....	1,765
Warnings to Registry .....	1,083
Arrests for Traffic Violations .....	208

### 1983 Monies Returned to the Town of West Bridgewater

Pistol Permits Issued .....	\$660.00
Licenses to Sell Firearms & Ammunition .....	16.00
Firearms Identification Cards .....	86.00
Received for Copies of Police Reports .....	1,425.50
Parking Fines from Brockton District Court .....	2,038.00
Fines Returned from Brockton District Court .....	91,345.00

Total Monies Turned In to Town ..... \$95,570.50

In filing this report, I feel that the time has come to use whatever means possible to add additional rooms to the existing police station. This building was sufficient twenty years ago, but can no longer accommodate the needs of this department. With the number of men on the department and the various phases of police work involved, we cannot properly function in the present building.

We are now operating with three and one half rooms. One of the rooms is my office, one is the front office, and the remaining room is the one used by the secretary during the day. This room also serves as an interrogation room or conference room as needed. In such cases, the secretary must leave the room for as long as the interrogation or conference is to take place. The half room is the booking room, located in the cell area. I might also mention at this time that the heating system in the entire building is deplorable and in need of repair.

I do realize that the constraints caused by Proposition 2½ make funding such a project very difficult. I do feel that the time has come for something to be done within a very short period of time.

I would like to mention at this time that out of the five towns under the Brockton District Court system, we are still the most active even though we are the smallest town.

In the past year and a half, three officers have received their Masters' Degrees. They are Walter Thayer, Jr., Robert Kominsky, and Raymund Rogers. I do feel that the education of police officers upgrades the police profession and is beneficial to the department. We have several other officers who have earned their Associates or Bachelors Degrees.

Many of our officers also attend various training seminars, often on their own time. This not only benefits the individual officers but the department as well.

The recertification of EMT's is often costly, but something that must be done. In-service training is also required by statute and I expect in the coming year to train more officers in various phases of police work.

In the past year we have built up our reserve force. We have presently five permanent intermittent officers with this department. These officers are of great assistance to the regular officers. We have been very fortunate in that most of the reserve officers had received training either through the Police Academy or through the 15-week training course for reserve officers.

In the past year we have seen a slight decrease in several areas of crime. I feel this is due in part to the endeavors of our officers. I feel that our officers have demonstrated a willingness to do the job to the best of their ability.

Through the efforts of the students at the Southeastern Regional School, we are enclosing the front office of the police station. The only cost to the town is for materials, with the school providing the labor.

Our new teletype system is now in operation. This is a great improvement over the past LEAPS system, and at a lower monthly rate.

In closing, I would like to express my gratitude to the Board of Selectmen who have given me their support and cooperation over the past year. To the other town departments I would like to offer my thanks for your assistance throughout the previous year.

And finally to the officers of the West Bridgewater Police Department, I extend my sincere thanks for their cooperation in making this department one of the finest.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ervin G. Lothrop  
*Chief of Police*

# **REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit my annual report as Chief of the Fire Department of the Town of West Bridgewater for the year 1983.

## **Personnel**

The personnel of the Fire Department consists of one (1) permanent Chief, one (1) permanent Deputy Chief, two (2) permanent Lieutenants, three (3) permanent Firefighters, one (1) call Captain, and nineteen (19) call Firefighters. All permanent personnel are Certified Emergency Medical Technicians. Four (4) of the call firefighters are also Certified EMT's.

## **Apparatus**

Engine #1, 1978 Hendrickson/Farrar 1250 GPM pumper; Engine #2, 1959 Seagrave/Chevrolet 750 GPM pumper; Combination #1, 1968 Pierre-Thibault W-500 Dodge (4 wheel drive) 500 GPM pump (auxiliary); Combination #2, 1945 Chevrolet 500 GPM front mounted pump; Forestfire #1, 1967 Ford (4 wheel drive) Utility Truck; Ladder #1, 1950 American LaFrance 75' Aerial Ladder (presently shortened to 65' to provide ladder stability); Rescue #1, 1962 Ford Van Truck; Ambulance #1, 1976 Chevrolet/Horton; Car #234 (Chief's Car), 1979 Pontiac Wagon.

## **Statistical Report**

During the year 1983 the Fire Department responded to a total of one thousand one hundred calls for assistance.

Total Ambulance Runs: 502	Coal & Woodstove Inspections: 24
Total Ambulance Mileage: 6,804.7	Petroleum Cargo Trailer Insp.: 30
Total Apparatus Mileage: 37,446.5	New Mobilehome Park Tanks: 40
Smoke Detector Inspections: 70	Burning Permits: 446
Mutual aid to other Towns: 15	Mutual aid from other Towns: 11

## **Drills and Training Program**

As required by law, all Call Firefighters were recertified in C.P.R. in 2 drill sessions. The remainder of monthly drills were devoted to Hose evolutions, Pump operations, Ladder operations, Scott Air Pacs, and Rescue operations.

## **Fire Prevention & Inspections**

Regular inspections were conducted at all Schools, Medical Facility, and many of the Industrial complexes within the Town.

The Red-ball and Invalid Sticker program is ongoing, and over 1,000 new telephone stickers were issued during the year.



## Summary

The Department presently has 24 Tone Radio Pagers. The coming year should complete the purchase of these units, to outfit the active personnel. The Permanent Department remains at a total of 6, requiring 2 of the shifts to operate with only 1 man on duty.

Repairs to the Building and Equipment have been carried on by the personnel of the Department, whenever possible.

In closing, I wish to thank all of the personnel of the Fire Department, the various Boards, Committees, Department Heads, Merchants, and the Townspeople, for their cooperation, and assistance to the Fire Department, during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Charles A. Dyke  
*Chief*

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

### TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR 12 MONTH FISCAL YEAR SINCE 1982-1983 TAX RATE WAS FIXED

	\$5,532,213.
Local Expenditures	20,173.
State & County Charges	143,897.
Overlay	<u>117,126.</u>

GROSS AMOUNT TO BE RAISED \$5,813,409.

Total Estimated Receipts from State	\$1,524,251.
Prior Year Overestimates - State & County	4,083.
Local Estimated Receipts	706,449.
Free Cash	58,539.
Other Available Funds	5,312.
Revenue Sharing	<u>238,000.</u>

TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS 2,536,634.

NET AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION  
ON PROPERTY 3,276,775.

Value of Assessed Real Estate:	
Land and Buildings	\$150,813,110.
Personal Property	<u>5,223,800.</u>
Total	\$156,036,910.

TAX RATE PER THOUSAND \$21.00



School	52.04%	\$10.93
General	47.96	\$10.07
	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$21.00</u>

#### EXEMPT PROPERTY

Old Bridgewater Historical Society	\$105,200.
Church Societies	2,644,800.
Berwick Boys' Foundation	160,579.
H. Meredith Berry Trust	147,900.
Town Hall Offices and Forestry Garage	290,400.
Highway Garage and Lot	262,000.
Fire and Police Station	431,500.
Water Department	1,138,190.
Park Department	84,900.
Cemeteries, Town Owned	66,500.
Cemeteries, Privately Owned	197,400.
Transfer Station	110,500.
Conservation Commission 261.36 acres	364,350.
All Other Town Owned Land 111.00 acres	73,400.
School Department and Library	11,873,200.
West Bridgewater Housing Authority	1,151,600.
Comm. of Mass. Land - Fish & Wildlife 1,265.78 acres	1,284,200.
Comm. of Mass. Land 237.23 acres	323,000.
Cambridge Animal Aid Inc. (partly exempt)	46,200.
Samoset Rod and Gun Club Inc.	108,800.
Wheelchair Motorcycle Assoc., Inc.	47,500.
BAARC	60,400.
Total Exempt Property	\$20,972,519.

As of Feb. 1, 1984, the following abatements and exemptions were granted for Fiscal 1984:

Clause	Number	Amount
17C Surviving Spouse etc.	17	\$2,975.00
18 Financial Hardship	4	1,216.72
22 Veterans	64	11,200.00
22A Veterans	4	1,400.00
22E Veterans	1	525.00
41 Elderly	56	28,000.00
37C Blind	6	3,000.00
41A Deferred Tax	2	1,737.70
Overvaluation	7	4,029.90
Total	161	\$54,084.32

Increased building activity is continuing throughout the town due partly to the lower rates and the availability of more mortgage money. Along with the new single family dwellings, there has been a noticeable number of homes where additions and repairs are being made.

Our Industrial Area is still attracting interest from out of area firms who are pleased with what the town and industrial area has to offer.

Several new residential sub-divisions have opened up and building activity has already started and should continue with the real estate market moving forward. The Department of Revenue is presenting more educational programs to new assessors as well as updated courses for all assessors and clerks. Chairman DeSales Heath and Assistant Assessor and Clerk Mrs. Bowman completed a ten week course sponsored by the Department of Revenue in January of 1983 which covered Assessment, Administration, Law, Procedure and Valuation.

The assessors are continuing the maintenance program on updating values throughout the town as required by the State Department of Revenue.

The Board was saddened by the death of Board member Sherwood Jackson, who passed away suddenly on July 3rd, 1983. Mr. Jackson had served on the Board for eleven years. Irving W. Puffer, a former assessor, was appointed to serve out the remainder of Mr. Jackson's term.

The Board would like to express their sincere thanks to the townspeople and town departments for their support and cooperation throughout the year.

Gary A. Boyd  
DeSales J. Heath  
Irving W. Puffer  
Board of Assessors

## REPORT OF THE COUNSELING CENTER

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby submit the annual report of the Bridgewater's Counselling Center for the year 1983.

The Bridgewater's Counseling Center services the citizens of West Bridgewater, Bridgewater and East Bridgewater and is located at 200 North Bedford Street, East Bridgewater.

The Center serviced 340 residents during the past year. 944 hours of delivered services were either "free" or subsidized.

Respectfully submitted,  
Madeline V. (Kipper) Fallon  
*Selectmen's Representative*

# REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

As Superintendent of Streets, I should like to submit my annual report for 1983.

## **Resurfacing Type I-1**

During the past year, the Highway Department prepared and resurfaced the following streets: Emerson Avenue for a distance of 300 feet, Sunset Avenue, Maolis Avenue, Sinnott Street, the intersection of Beacon and West Streets. Manley Street was also resurfaced for a distance of 3,318 feet with 1½-inch thickness Type I top to finish that section of roadway begun in 1982. A patch was also laid down on Manley Street Extension because of deterioration. The Howard School and the Spring Street School were resurfaced with leveling and 1½-inch Type I Bituminous concrete top. Numerous water trenches and drainage trenches throughout the town were repaired and repaved.

## **New Construction**

A wheelchair ramp at the library and two wheelchair ramps at the High School were constructed by the West Bridgewater Highway Dept. We opened the radius on Howard Street by moving the curbs back and installing a sidewalk on Howard Street.

## **Drainage**

The Highway Department constructed two new basins on Walnut Street and laid 340' of 12-inch pipe. On Sinnott Street we constructed two basins, one manhole and laid 120' of pipe. On Maolis Avenue, two basins were constructed and 60' of pipe were laid. On Bedford Street, two new basins were constructed and 140' of pipe laid. A total of 660' of pipe was laid. Repairs to basins included two basins on Milebrook Road, one basin on South Street, two basins on Howard Street, one basin on Crescent Street, one basin on Spring Street, two basins on North Elm Street and one basin on East Center Street.

## **Snow**

The hired contractors and men of the Highway Department have done a commendable job of keeping the roads safe and passable by sanding and plowing during the winter months. I would like to thank the townspeople for their cooperation in keeping their vehicles off the roadway to facilitate plowing.

## **Maintenance**

Because the street sweeper was approved at the Town Meeting, all the roads of the entire town were swept once (and some streets twice) by one operator. The remaining crew was thus free to carry out their various other tasks. Maintenance and repairs to the fleet and equipment has been done by the men



of the department at a great deal of savings to the Town. Continued regular maintenance was carried out: cleaning catch basins, culverts and waterways throughout the town, roadside mowing, picking up litter and dead animals, repairing of berms and seeding of grass, patching of potholes, replacing and repairing signs as needed due to vandalism and accidents, painting of guard rails, and striping traffic lines.

### **Transfer Station**

After receiving full responsibility of the Transfer Station at last years town meeting, I found it necessary to renew the sticker program to identify and separate town residents from illegal users. I feel the landfill attendant is doing an excellent job in keeping the building and the area clean.

I would like to commend the men of the Highway Department for their hard work performed this past year to make this department a successful service to the townspeople of West Bridgewater. Again, I should like to thank the Board of Selectmen, all Town Departments and individuals for their cooperation and support.

Respectfully submitted,  
Donald E. Newman  
*Highway Superintendent*

## **REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD**

To the residents of West Bridgewater, we, the members of the Planning Board submit our report for 1983.

Throughout the year the Board held twenty-four meetings, one public hearing, and one special meeting. Of the nine requests to receive "Form A" approval, five were allowed, two denied, and two were allowed to withdraw without prejudice. The Preliminary Plans for two subdivisions were received and reviewed. Definitive Plans were modified and then accepted for residential developments to be known as Ebenwood Park (twenty-nine lots to be located between North Main and Spring Streets) and Pine Tree Estates (8 lots to be located off Copeland Street).

Though the Board monitored the progress of six active subdivisions, a significant amount of attention was required by the Matfield Woods Mobile Home Park which has recently begun activity on the second phase of its six step (160+ lot) construction plan.

Respectfully submitted,  
Donald G. Asack, *Chairman*  
Howard A. Anderson, *Vice Chairman*  
D. Christopher Cross, *Clerk*  
Wilfred G. Howard  
William E. Turner



# REPORT OF THE WATER DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

We the Commissioners and Superintendent of the Water Department of the Town of West Bridgewater, respectfully submit our annual report for the year ending December 31, 1983.

During the year a total of 262,177,220 gallons of water were pumped, which is 7,280,080 gallons more than the previous year. The greatest amount for any one day was June 25, with 1,324,000 gallons. The largest month was July with 30,920,000 gallons. The largest week was July 16 with 7,920,000 gallons.

With 262,177,220 gallons of water pumped plus 934,900 gallons bought from Easton, a total of 263,112,120 gallons of water were used. This makes a daily average of 720,855 gallons, a weekly average of 5,059,848 gallons, and a monthly average of 21,926,010 gallons. Recorded rainfall was 75.1 inches at Station One, Cyr Street, and 97.5 inches at Station Three, Manley Street, which averages 86.3 inches.

A total of 46 new services were installed for a total of 2,103 services. There were 45 meters repaired, 85 meters sealed and tagged.

We had 22 emergency house leaks, 20 meter and tailpiece leaks, 2 frozen meters, 6 frozen services. Most hydrants were checked prior to cold weather. We would appreciate residents during snow storms, to shovel out the hydrants nearest them so the Fire Department will be able to readily locate them in time of emergency. Station maintenance was carried out every day, after every severe storm, and all power failures.

There was one emergency call for pumping, 2 swimming pools filled. Dead ends were flushed 15 times. A total of 560 overtime hours were spent on emergency calls and maintenance.

During the year, 156 analyses of our Town drinking water was made by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Quality Engineering for bacterial elements. Analysis of sodium concentration in our water averaged 18 milligrams per litre for 1983, allowing us to meet the regulations pertaining to sodium testing of 20 milligrams per litre.

We experienced one major breakdown in our pumping facility at Cyr Street. Because of the age of the pumping equipment, installed in 1948, parts were not readily available and resulted in being out of commission for the two high use months of July and August. It has been recommended by Consulting Engineers that this pumping equipment be replaced.

Superintendent William Nickerson retired as of July 31st and we wish to publicly thank him for his 29 dedicated years to the Water Department. We feel that through his efforts we have had a well maintained water system. In Bill's place we have named James Bergeron as Superintendent. Jim has been

with the Water Department for 10 years. We would also like to recognize Joan McAndrew who has so efficiently assumed the clerical duties after the resignation of Rhoda Johnson.

Respectfully submitted,  
John W. Noyes, *Chairman*  
Donald Davock, *Clerk*  
Edward G. Asack, *Asst. Member*  
James Bergeron, *Superintendent*

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE

In accordance with the General Laws of the Commonwealth, Chapter 128, the Trustees for Plymouth County Cooperative Extension Service are empowered to receive, on behalf of the County, money appropriated by any town, or by the Federal Government for carrying out the provisions of the law, under which they are appointed.

Their agents have made contacts during the past year in every community, either by public meetings, individual visits, group discussions, demonstrations, or otherwise, in attempting to assist the needs of the citizens toward helping to solve management problems, better living, and better community service, and have been ably assisted by many local volunteer leaders.

A total expense of \$100.00 was incurred during the year for the purchase of material needed in carrying on the various Extension Programs. The appropriation made by your town was used for residents of the town and expended as follows:

### Expense 1981-1982

Books & Manuals Purchased for Town Officials	\$20.00
Town Director's Expense	10.00
Bulletins, Paper, etc.	40.00
4-H School Programs, Environmental Center	20.00
4-H and Home Economic Leader Expense	10.00
TOTAL	<u>\$100.00</u>

### Financial Summary

1982-1983 Appropriation (current)	\$100.00
Suggested Appropriation for 1983-1984*	125.00

\*Additional request due to change in USDA policy to charge for publications.

Respectfully submitted,  
Trustees for County Cooperative Extension Service  
Mary M. McBrady, *Director*

# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen & Citizens of W. Bridgewater:

In compliance with the General Laws of Massachusetts we submit the report of 1983.

The Board held the following clinics: Rabies; Flu; Helicopter spraying by the Bay Colony for Mosquito Control. Although there was no Eastern Equine Encephalitis reported in W. Bridgewater we felt it was in the town's best interest to spray.

The annual election of 1983 Judith Kinney was elected to the Board with Ronald Broman as chairman, Judith Kinney as clerk and Edward Cruz as member. Judith Kinney resigned in September and Marie Bagley was appointed and named clerk.

Fiscal year 1983 the Board took in the following fees as revenue:

Disposal Works (Installers) .....	\$315.00
Food Service Establishments .....	375.00
General Licenses .....	365.00
Mobile Food Servers .....	60.00
Night Soil Pumps .....	70.00
Retail Food Establishments .....	75.00

We wish to thank the Bridgewater Visiting Nurses Association for their assistance in our programs and their report can be found separately.

We would also like to thank all Town Departments. The Board continues to work closely with the Regional and State Agencies and their agents.

The Board is pleased to announce the general health of the town is good.

The Board meets the first and third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ronald Broman, *Chairman*  
Edward Cruz, *Member*  
Marie Bagley, *Clerk*



# REPORT OF SELF HELP, INCORPORATED

During the program year ending September 30, 1983, Self Help, Inc. received a total funding of \$11,491,998 and provided 700,828 direct services to the area's limited-income individuals and families.

West Bridgewater residents received 1,115 direct services totaling \$107,595 during our program year.

We feel that the program year 10/1/82 to 9/30/83 was a successful one for Self Help, Inc., and very helpful to our limited-income population. We thank the area's Board of Selectmen, town volunteers and the Selectmen's representative, Mr. Charles Baker, to our Board of Directors for helping to make our program year a success.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ulysses G. Shelton, Jr.  
*Executive Director*

## REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby respectfully submit my annual report for the year 1983.

Dairy Herds .....	11
Cows age 2 years and over .....	377
Heifers one to two years .....	73
Calves under one year .....	60
Bulls .....	11
Beef Herds .....	4
Number of beef cattle .....	5
Number of Horses .....	64
Number of Ponies .....	15
Number of Goats .....	26
Goat herds .....	10
Number of Sheep .....	34
Sheep herds .....	7
Number of Swine .....	261
Swine herds .....	5
Number of Dog Bites reported to Animal Inspector for Quarantine .....	20

Respectfully submitted,  
Leo E. Moroni  
*Inspector of Animals*



# REPORT OF THE VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION, INC.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Home health care has been a prime responsibility of the Bridgewater Visiting Nurse Association since 1902. Under the charter granted in 1911 the purpose of the Association was to provide the best possible care for the sick and to engage in health education for the community. Neither the responsibility nor the purpose have changed in over eighty years but there has been a dramatic change in the population served. In 1902 we served a population of 5,806 and today our population served for the two towns of Bridgewater and West Bridgewater is about 25,000. No longer can one nurse meet the home health care needs. Instead we have a staff of eight registered nurses, four Home Health Aides and a staff physical therapist.

Early discharge of patients and the therapeutic value of the home setting have contributed to an increased use of the home health care services and show the following comparison for 1982 and 1983:

	1982	1983
Nursing visits	894	1289
Physical therapy visits	198	128
Speech therapy visits	11	58
Medical social worker visits	23	77
Occupational therapy visits	31	25
Home Health Aide hours	1128.5	2300

Community services — have included participation in the Health Works/Fair, the Fuel Assistance Program, Cancer Screening and conducting Red Cross Baby Sitting Classes. In addition monthly health conferences have been held at Esther Drive and an evening health conference at the BVNA Headquarters for the 18 to 60 year old group and those who cannot attend daytime conferences. Two sessions are sponsored monthly by the Board of Health at the Town Hall for all residents of West Bridgewater.

Contracts — have been made with Brockton Homemaker, Easter Seal and Catholic Charities for therapists and Home Health Aides; with Foster Medical for sick room equipment and supplies and with Massachusetts Physical Therapy, Inc.

Clinics — the professional staff and volunteers from the Board of Directors have assisted with the health conferences and clinics for hypertension, lead poisoning, diabetes, glaucoma, influenza and TB Mantoux testing.

Accreditation — the agency is fully certified by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Public Health.

Administration — governing the agency is a volunteer Board of Directors (24) assisted by a volunteer Group of Professional Personnel (17), representing local business and professional men and women and consumers.

Professional staff — includes Ann P. Kirkpatrick, BSN, supervisor; Kathryn Heimerdinger, MSN, alternate supervisor; and the following registered professional nurses: Jeannette Irving, RN, BS; Patricia Urban, RN; Jane Deubler, BSN; Hilary Hamilton, BSN; Margaret Evers, BSN; Judith Backoff, RN; and Phyllis Rose, secretary-receptionist and Philip Casey, billing clerk.

Home Health Aides — are Mary Cuniff, Joanne Johnson, Loretta Caruso and Ella Cameron.

Respectfully submitted,  
Eleanore D. MacCurdy  
*President*

# REPORT OF THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCING AUTHORITY

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of West Bridgewater.

Since our organization as a local authority back in September of 1979, we have developed considerable experience in the area of tax-exempt bonds.

As explained in previous reports, Industrial Revenue Bonds were created to promote business, to provide low-cost expansion capital and to produce more jobs in Massachusetts. Through this vehicle, our tax base has been broadened with the following industrial growth:

Year	Bond Amount	Issuer	To
1981	\$ 475,000	WB IDFA	Turner Steel Co.
	800,000	waived by IDFA issued by MIFA	Semline, Inc.
1982	3,000,000	WB IDFA	R.H. Wyner Assoc., Inc.
	225,000	WB IDFA	Turner Steel Co.
1983	1,000,000	WB IDFA	South Shore Packing Co.

The one million dollar bond we were involved in issuing in 1983 made it possible for South Shore Packing Company of Brockton to relocate to the Walnut & Spring Street area with the acquisition of 15.46 acres on which it will expand its operation with an office addition to present facilities. This company serves as a wholesale distributor of meat and other food products.

We would like to extend our thanks to the various individuals and groups who helped make all the above possible.

Respectfully submitted,  
Madelyn T. Burke, *Chairman*  
Raymond E. Chace  
Donald L. McIver  
Joseph L. McMorro  
Robert L. Smith

# REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

To the Board of Selectmen and Citizens of West Bridgewater:

I respectfully submit the report of the Dog Officer from January 1983 to December 27, 1983.

Dogs Impounded .....	112
Owners Claimed .....	57
Adopted to New Homes .....	44
Destroyed .....	11
Injured or Killed on Roadway .....	8
Animals or Fowl Killed by Dogs .....	5
Dog Bites are reported to the Animal Inspector.	

At this time I would like to express my appreciation to the citizens of West Bridgewater for their cooperation in obeying the town leash law and a special thanks to the Police Department for their assistance, and the West Bridgewater Veterinary Hospital for prompt treatment of injured animals.

Respectfully submitted,  
Julie A. Vivace, *Dog Officer*  
Canine Control Department

# REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I respectfully submit my annual report as the Inspector of Plumbing for the year 1983.

There were 115 plumbing applications filed for plumbing permits. There were 221 plumbing inspections made in the following types of buildings:

New Dwellings .....	26
Old Dwellings .....	50
Commercial Buildings .....	15
Public Buildings .....	2
Trailers .....	22

There were 48 water heaters installed.

The Massachusetts State Plumbing Code is used as a basis for plumbing installations.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joseph F. Donovan  
*Inspector of Plumbing*



# REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby submit the annual report of the Building Inspector for the year 1983.

Single Family Dwellings	24	\$1,155,075.
Additions and Alterations	61	282,442.
Mobile Homes	35	1,430,100.
Garages and Carports	10	70,178.
Accessory Buildings	16	38,190.
Swimming Pools	18	82,800.
Chimneys and Fireplaces	1	1,200.
Roofing	4	8,600.
Siding	6	21,200.
Solar Panels	2	8,500.
New Business Buildings	1	45,000.
Business Additions and Alterations	17	311,700.
New Industrial Buildings	3	255,000.
Industrial Additions and Alterations	3	31,900.
Refreshment Stand Addition	1	1,000.
Signs	16	6,680.
Demolition Garages and Sheds	6	
Wood and Coal Stoves	24	
TOTALS	248	\$3,799,565.

I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, Fire Chief Charles A. Dyke, my co-workers in the Town Hall and all other Town Department personnel for the cooperation and assistance given to me.

Respectfully submitted,  
John A. Pires , *Building Inspector*

# REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF GASFITTING

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby respectfully submit my annual report for the year 1983.

There were 65 gas applications filed for gasfitting permits for the year.

There were 81 gasfitting inspections made in the following types of buildings.

New Dwellings .....	6
Old Dwellings .....	43
Commercial Buildings .....	14
Public Buildings .....	2

There were 78 gas appliances installed.

There were 10 propane gas installations.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joseph F. Donovan , *Inspector of Gasfitting*



# REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF WIRES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I respectfully submit my annual report as the Inspector of Wires for the year of 1983.

Electric Services .....	101
Rough Wires .....	62
Electric Ranges .....	13
Electric Dryers .....	10
Electric Water Heaters .....	7
Construction Services .....	4
Oil Burners .....	8
Add Outlets .....	10
Pools .....	14
Not Accepted .....	2
Miscellaneous .....	14
Finals .....	36
Alarm Systems .....	3
Locked Premises .....	2
Electric Heat .....	2
Fire Calls .....	6

The latest edition of the Massachusetts State Electrical Code used as a basis for all inspections.

My thanks to the Board of Selectmen, the Building Inspector and the townspeople for all assistance given this department.

Respectfully submitted,  
Albert M. Greiner  
*Inspector of Wires*

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Board of Appeals respectfully submits its annual report for the year 1983.

During 1983 the Board of Appeals held (9) nine Public Hearings regarding requests for variances: (8) eight were granted, (1) one denied, and (1) one of those decisions has been challenged in the higher courts with no decision reached as of this writing.

The variance requests dealt with (5) five involving new construction of buildings, (1) one with the sale of property involving an existing sideline violation, and (3) three with the operating of business within both the residential and business zones.

During the year the Board accepted the resignations of Robert Miskinis and Diana Lothrop. These vacancies have been filled through appointments by the Board of Selectmen.

Respectfully submitted,  
William E. Turner, Jr., *Chairman*  
Harry Pierson, Jr., *Vice Chairman*  
Henry Podolsky, *Member*  
George Merritt, *Member*  
Harry Ketler, *Member*  
James Wolfsberg, *Alt. Member*  
Joseph Kameese, *Alt. Member*

**REPORT OF THE  
SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The following is the report of the Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year of 1983.

Scales under 10 pounds .....	22
Scales under 100 pounds .....	31
Scales over 100 pounds .....	9
Scales over 10,000 pounds .....	1
Gasoline pumps .....	73
Weights .....	47
Vehicle tanks .....	1
Package reweighing .....	197
Unit pricing .....	87
Returned in fees to Town .....	\$563.40

Respectfully submitted,  
Warren A. Turner  
*Sealer of Weights and Measures*

# REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Trustees express sincere appreciation to a severely curtailed Library Staff which has worked tirelessly to supply circulation and reference services to the public, always with a smile, and to the Director for her prompt supply of information to us on Library affairs.

The Trustees have largely addressed the problems of space, policy review, heat, support to the Friends, and developments in Regional computer services which will involve our Library.

Re-arrangements were made to give a little more room for patron function. Although the Library collection is consistently weeded of obsolete items, shelf-space is still critical. With the cooperation of the School Committee and Superintendent, we have temporary use of a room at Spring Street School for live storage of books of stable value, but not high current demand. Book cases for this were obtained from Army Surplus and by donation. The Regional Bookmobile Depository has supplied us, on a rotating basis, with the use of \$14,000 worth of current books this year, thus alleviating to some extent our space and book-budget shortages.

The Trustees have been investigating other options for additional space, even the possibility of an expanded mezzanine.

The Friends of the Library, under the leadership of Marianne Loray, have renewed activities this year with an on-going book sale within the Library as well as the annual sale. They have developed a roster of Friends-on-Call, who volunteer help in many categories from filing and shelf-reading to transportation. The Friends also planted geraniums at the doorway this spring.

The Board of Selectmen and Highway Department assisted in making a ramp for the handicapped at the entrance, which is much appreciated. Through cooperative efforts with the High School maintenance, we have finally achieved adequate heat in the Library, a much appreciated boon. Energy surveys commissioned by the Town did not reveal any glaring deficiencies in our energy conservation and certainly none that could be remedied at reasonable cost.

With a stable membership on our Board and with much good will from all sectors of the Town, we feel we have had a productive year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Helen Millet, *Secretary*  
Wayne Legge, *Chairman*  
Bruce Edson  
Michael Manugian  
Hilary Murray  
Barbara Perkins



# REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

To the Trustees of the Public Library:

## STATISTICS

Circulation	30,029	
Total Card Holders	2,458	
Collection	2,950	Books
	958	Records
	61	Magazine Subscriptions

Total Library Circulation shows a slight increase over last year, while the number of card holders and the size of the collection have both decreased. The decrease in the number of card holders is the result of a periodic update in the registration file when inactive patrons are deleted from the Register. Thirty-three percent of the population of West Bridgewater actively uses the Library. The decrease in the size of the collection is the result of a massive weeding project undertaken during the year.

The space shortage is the most critical problem in the Library. The Library building was designed to house 12,000 volumes and by 1982 the collection had grown to 31,973. Two steps have been taken to alleviate the problem: (1) During the past year, 6,073 volumes were weeded from the collection, (2) We applied for, and were granted by the School Committee, a storage room at the former Spring Street School. These steps are both temporary solutions to a very serious problem which demands continuous consideration and analysis. We cannot continue to withdraw books from our collection at this rate and maintain an adequate public library system. Also, the storage room has been granted on a temporary basis only.

Three major goals for the next year are: expansion of the Hours of Service; revival of the pre-school Story Hour Program; and increased cooperation with other local public libraries.

Special thanks to the School Committee for their assistance with our space problem; to the Highway Department for constructing the new entry ramp and for transporting equipment and furniture; to Trustee Michael Manugian for obtaining needed equipment through the State Government Surplus Center; to the Friends of the Library and Chairman Marianne Lorrain for their continued efforts in behalf of the Library; to the loyal and dedicated employees of the Library; to our generous volunteers and contributors; to our many patrons; and to you, the Library Board of Trustees for your support and continuing efforts to provide good library service to the people of West Bridgewater.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jane Ouderkirk, *M.L.S.*



# REPORT OF THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Committee and Staff members of the 1983 Summer Recreation Program would like to report that the 1983 summer program was a rewarding experience for all involved. Under the direction of Pat Kelley and Assistant Evelyn Jollymore, the young children of West Bridgewater were offered a diversified program with something of interest for all youngsters.

Any child in grades one thru eight was able to participate in the daily activities held at the Howard School. This year's program began on July 12th and continued daily, Monday thru Friday, rain or shine, for six weeks ending on August 20th.

Many well organized, and well supervised activities were offered to the children.

Daily activities included soccer, kickball, softball, ping-pong and many games of low organization for the younger children. Children not playing these games were able to use the many quiet games available, jumprope, play frisbee or listen to stories read by staff members.

At least twice a week we worked on Arts and Crafts. During the summer many interesting and creative projects were completed.

Once a week we went on a Field Trip, the most popular last summer being the Cape Cod Canal Cruise and a visit to Bassett Wild Animal Farm. We often had special events like Field Days and Scavenger Hunts to help fill in the time and maintain interest of all.

The Recreation Committee and its Staff are looking forward to another successful summer program in 1984. Only with the continued support and cooperation of the townspeople, the Police and School Departments and the children of West Bridgewater will this be possible. Thanks to everyone who has made our summers so successful.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary-Lou Jenness  
Ethel Fisher  
Marie Connelly  
Joseph Gareri  
Recreation Committee

# REPORT OF THE FORESTRY AND PARKS DEPARTMENT

I hereby submit my annual report for the year 1983 as Tree Warden.

The Forestry and Parks Department, looking back on 1983, reflects on a year of normality in regards to its routine duties, with possibly a few exceptions. Tree removal stands out as foremost in our operations, there having been 168 trees removed. The majority of these removals were topped out by hydraulic bucket truck. This was necessary because of the proximity of utility wires or over private property. The most serious shade tree problem at present is a hard-wood die-back, mostly of maples and ash but in some instances, in other species. Die-backs can often be traced to a variety of reasons, but air pollution, drought, excessive use of road salt seem to be the important contributing factors. This department, in its tree planting program, is now planting shade trees which are bred to be resistant to pollution and salt injury.

Tree planting was done in the spring and fall of 1983, various species being planted, staked, mulched and later fertilized in all sections of town. Tree planting does not progress at the rate that I anticipated since labor is needed in too many places at once to devote a proper concentration on any one phase of work.

Great changes have occurred in the area of pesticides, their regulated uses and spraying equipment during the past years. I, as your appointed superintendent of Insect Pest Control, am licensed for operational spraying by the Commonwealth. The Gypsy Moth in 1983 continued to defoliate many trees, both along the roadsides and in the forests but it appears from the latest egg counts of this insect, that this pest is now starting to be on the decline.

Thirteen town greens, six town owned cemeteries and two Legion Memorial baseball fields were regularly fertilized, mowed and trimmed during the growing season. Also, War Memorial Park was maintained and some restoration work applied to make this historical area a place that the community will have pride in exhibiting to their friends and neighbors.

During the winter months, the department's two platform trucks cooperate with the Highway Department during snow and ice emergencies for plowing.

During the months of June, July and August, aerial spraying was done by helicopter for mosquito control, coupled with cooperative work with the Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project in ground spraying and ditching.

All mechanical equipment of the department which includes two sprayers, three trucks, chipper, power saws, leaf blowers, dethacher, power mowers, power trimmers and log splitter are in very good condition due primarily to a sound maintenance program and a little tender-loving care. As a department head, I have been very fortunate to have as one of my employees, Len Graf, a very capable mechanic in all phases of repairs and maintenance. Because of this, there are less breakdowns, and it allows the equipment to operate efficiently and lessens depreciation.

This department, as in the past, will gladly eradicate Poison Ivy on residents' property if we are notified. Also, hornet and wasp nests will be sprayed if they are found outside residences and buildings.

In closing this report, I would like to state that good public relations becomes one of our largest jobs. Every resident, at one time or another, will eventually become our client for service of our varied list of activities. This department stands ready to serve the residents of West Bridgewater.

As Tree Warden, I wish to extend to my employees a simple but sincere "Thank you" for it is partly through their efforts that the West Bridgewater Forestry and Parks Department has progressed, accomplished countless tasks and has gained the respect of area departments. To the people of West Bridgewater, I wish to extend a thank you for your patience and understanding, for your appreciation, constructive criticism and assistance during times of tight budget restrictions. Also my sincere thanks to all other departments and officials for their cooperation, assistance and courtesies throughout the past year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Thomas B. MacQuinn  
*Tree Warden*

## REPORT OF THE COUNCIL ON AGING

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

As we enter our third year in our Senior Center quarters in the former Spring Street School, it is with great pleasure that we can report that our program is growing, vital, and active.

We were fortunate to secure a CETA Youth worker for our Summer Lunch Program and later in the summer received a placement for an Elder Service Corps Worker who is stipended through the Dept. of Elder Affairs. We continue to have the excellent and extremely competent services of two Senior Aides, paid through Old Colony Elderly Services, Inc. and funded through the Dept. of Labor under Title V. In addition we now number our volunteer staff and workers at twenty four.

The COA is grateful to Mrs. Beverly Reynolds and her fine staff for their help in providing the two days of our three day nutrition program. Their efforts have been extremely well received by the participants at the meal site.

The Council on Aging provides to all seniors who request/need services, the following: transportation for medical and shopping, nutrition program, telephone reassurance, friendly visitation, fuel assistance applications, discount applications, line dancing, cribbage tournaments, ceramic classes, health clinics, flu clinics, information and referral on all types of problems and questions, chore, homemaker, home health aides, meals on wheels, legal counsel, educational and recreational opportunities, respite care, hospice support services among many others.



As satellite services, we host the Senior Citizens Club monthly meetings and programs, JOY (Just Older Youth) monthly meetings and fund raising projects, a Thrift Shop; and make the Senior Center available to any community groups for special functions.

Along with five other communities, the WB COA will be participating in a program of transportation via the use of a minibus which is operated by Old Colony Elderly Services, Inc. On a rotating schedule, we will have the use of the bus for a full day every sixth day. This will enable us to centralize our seniors who need shopping or other specialized transportation. The minibus is equipped with wheelchair provisions and will be manned by a fully accredited EMT. This program would not be possible for our seniors were it not for the gracious gift of the W.B. Lions Club in underwriting our town's portion of the matching funds for the minibus grant. Their generosity and concern for our seniors is matched only by their commitment to service to others. We thank them very much for their support of our goals and program aims.

Why we do what we do is simple. We try very hard to reach out, identify and help those elders within our community who are facing loneliness, isolation, chronic or terminal illness, etc. and to help shepherd them as we are able to live more fully developed and to maintain independent life styles as they wish. We try to be a caring, supportive agency which extends a hand to all seniors. In that hand rests a variety of ways and means we can be of service.

The most viable part of our program is the number of people who help in many different capacities. We want you to know that the following good people give of themselves to help those seniors in our town who are in need: Eleanor and George Lindsay, Eileen Beane, Lauren Knight, Elmer Walker, Samuel Feinburg, Virginia Tubis, Donald Fisher, Kathleen V. Fenstermaker, Beth Burgess, George McGuire, John Rosnell, Susie Ruccuolo, Alpee Surrence, Gordon Ross, Mary Lou Jenness, Bernice Porter, Kenneth and Blanche Hollis, Arthur and Ann Giannunzio, Sandra Bottcher, Bonnie Bottcher, Michael Lindquist, Ellen Benson, Raymond Burke, Winnifred Manzer, David Cohen, Lloyd Sears, Marjorie MacDonald, Lillian Large, John Large, and Robert Alger.

We invite you to visit us. We are busy and each day brings another adventure to cope with. We manage with the help of many good friends such as the West Bridgewater Lioness Club, The Bridgewaters Rotary Club, the Music Dept. of the High School, the Jr.-Sr. High Chorus, and many, many of our senior friends who manage to support us in all our endeavors. To each one and to the many friends to come, we give a mighty "hurrah" for their enthusiasm and interest.

Our immediate future sees the planning for the program outlined in our application to the Arts Lottery Council for an adventure in various areas of art called "ART IS AGELESS". Special peer group programs will begin in February which will focus on the widow and the widower, grief counseling, hospice support services, support for families with an elder with Alzheimer's Disease, elderly abuse, etc. We will be working very closely with the new officers of JOY to insure a smooth continuation of our joint efforts to raise



funds to help keep the center open. This past year alone, JOY has supported the Center with over \$2,000.00. and the W.B. Senior Citizens Club Fuel Fund for the Center has raised over \$1,300.00. Our goal is to eventually become able to be self-sufficient. It is a dream now; but may be possible with the help of such good and active people.

Respectfully submitted,  
Beth Burgess, *Chairman*  
Winnifred Manzer, *Treasurer*  
Kathleen V. Fenstermaker, *Secretary*  
Samuel Feinburg                      David Cohen  
Elmer Walker                      Kenneth Hollis  
George McGuire                      Lloyd Sears  
Eleanor Lindsay      Marjorie MacDonald

## REPORT OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Once again the West Bridgewater Housing Authority has been frustrated in their attempt to secure additional elderly housing, both on the State and Federal level. Most funding for housing is being awarded to those cities and towns who have buildings to rehabilitate or who can offer low-income family housing. This past year an Ad Hoc Committee was formed of a member of the Housing Board, Planning Board and Board of Selectmen to study the housing problems of the town as regards zoning, etc. No report has as yet been given by this committee as to their findings.

The Board would like to thank all town departments for their concern for the citizens of Esther Drive. The Police, Fire and Highway Departments have been most helpful in times of emergency.

During the past year, our Executive Director up-dated our waiting list with the following results:

West Bridgewater residents on the list totaled eight (8). Non-residents with children residing in West Bridgewater, four (4). Non-residents nineteen (19). This totals thirty-one (31) applicants currently on our waiting list. This is due to the fact that the wait for housing is so long that people have secured housing elsewhere or are no longer interested. Needless to say, the West Bridgewater Housing Board will continue in its effort to secure additional housing so that those who do apply do not have such a long wait.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dorothy A. Holmgren, *Secretary*  
Robert L. Kellie, *Chairman*  
Carl R. Bystrom  
Richard C. Williams  
Albert M. Greiner  
Marion Bartell, *State member*

**REPORT OF THE  
SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Southeastern Regional School District is represented from the Town of West Bridgewater by Eugene Kostecki. There are eight towns and the City of Brockton involved in this regional effort which provides students with occupational training leading directly to jobs.

There are 25 occupational programs offered at the high school level. The high school enrollment is 1,288. There are six occupational programs offered at the post-secondary level; enrollment is 169. A total of 1,457 students attend the day program at Southeastern.

Students from the participating communities number as follows:

Brockton	749	Norton	61
East Bridgewater	77	Sharon	76
Easton	109	Stoughton	164
Foxborough	81	West Bridgewater	59
Mansfield	78	Out of District	3

The high school job placement program placed 90% of the 1983 graduating class. Job locating and/or placement is available to past graduates as well as to each graduating class. The Technical Institute placement program enjoyed a 96% placement of the students graduating from all programs in the school year 1982-83. Over the last five years, placement at the Technical Institute has been 95.5%.

Nearly 224 students were participants in the cooperative work program during the 1982-83 school year.

The Southeastern Regional School District Committee and the Teachers' Federation, Local 1849, reached an agreement and executed a three-year contract which runs through August of 1987.

The officers for the 1983-84 school year are:

Eugene Kostecki, Chairman, West Bridgewater  
Charles W. McDonald, Vice-Chairman, Norton  
Stanley B. Goldman, Secretary, East Bridgewater

During the past year the representative from the town of Stoughton, Mr. Albert J. Twomey, resigned his position. Mr. Raymond E. Tropea was elected by the proper authorities of Stoughton to replace Mr. Twomey for the remainder of the term.

Respectfully submitted,  
Eugene Kostecki  
*School Committee Member*

# REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of West Bridgewater:

We the members of the West Bridgewater Conservation Commission respectfully submit the following annual report for 1983.

The year 1983 brought our usual problems with our wetlands. First we have more building and more filling, some legal and some illegal. Some of these problem areas we have had to consult with DEQE to help make a suitable decision. Our problems with agricultural land clearing still continue, especially in the Scotland Street area. We have one market gardner who deems it necessary to clear high ground to continue his operation. This will be done in phases over the next few years. Our sub-division building of homes is moderate with a couple of problem areas. Our largest being the new sub-division from North Main Street to Spring Street.

In recent months, we have had more businesses move into town, some wanting to fill on land subject to the Act, some detrimental and some not. Some wanting large ponding areas of which the board feels is becoming a thing too common.

The problem with protecting our ground water, especially in the areas of our wells, has brought numerous problems to some businesses. Those problems we have tried to address in a suitable manner, both for the protection of the town and the land owners.

The highway department has cooperated especially well in some of their drainage problems that have developed over a period of many years.

One problem that concerns us very much is the fact that when Orders are issued they are not read carefully enough to understand that they have to be filled with the Registry of Deeds in Plymouth before work can be started, also that when the work is done, a Certificate of Compliance should be issued and registered. Some have to present an As-Built Plan done by a Registered Engineer, so that we can issue this document, such as with the compensatory storage area at the Matfield Woods Mobile Home Park.

With the business growth in town, we feel confident that our wells are protected and that our future business growth can continue.

With the help that other boards have given, the Highway Dept., Planning Board, Board of Health, Building Inspector, Board of Appeals, Board of Assessors and the Honorable Board of Selectmen, we say Thank You, for today it takes all of the boards to function together to make the Town of West Bridgewater a better place to work and live.

Respectfully submitted,

Howard M. Hayward, *Chairman*

Linda L. Greene, *Vice Chairman*

John Dacey, *Clerk*

Thomas Driscoll      Hugh Hurley

Joseph Souza      Grete Bohannon

West Bridgewater Conservation Commission



## **REPORT OF THE OFFICE OF VETERAN'S SERVICES**

To the Board of Selectmen:

Sixty-three veterans and dependents were assisted by Veteran Services this year. Twenty received financial and medical aid. Forty-three received assistance in various areas such as applying for Veterans Administration medical assistance, insurance, loans, compensation, burial in V.A. cemetery, death benefits and filing V.A. Questionnaires.

One Workmans Compensation claim assignment was taken and another claim is still pending settlement.

One compensation claim and one pension claim were filed through this office with the Veterans Administration by town veterans.

Refunds in the amount of \$115.00 were returned to the town Treasurer from an assignment case.

Several Vietnam Era Veterans applied for pre-application certificates to enable them to participate in a low interest mortgage lottery sponsored by the Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency which would enable them to purchase an existing one-to-four unit home or a newly-constructed single home.

A quarterly computer match was sent to our main office in Boston to check the accuracy of wage information given by veterans receiving benefits from this office. This match is made to review the accuracy of information provided by recipients of Veterans' benefits and to take appropriate action against persons in receipt of Veteran Service benefits to which they are not entitled.

Respectfully submitted,  
Armen Amerigian  
*Veterans Agent*

## **REPORT OF THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The year 1983 has shown a renewed vigor in our industrial growth. Your IDC is concerned not only with industrial growth but with the total business community.

During 1983 permits in the total of \$701,280.00 have been issued for new and increased capacity in these areas. This indicates that with the completion of Route 495 West Bridgewater is in an ideal situation for growth vital to our town.

Respectfully submitted,  
Donald L. MacIver  
George V. Hollertz, Jr.  
Leon Beaulieu  
Frank Miller  
Charles H. Johnson



# **REPORT OF THE TOWN COUNSEL**

The following is a listing of the pending litigation involving the Town of West Bridgewater with a brief description of the nature of the action and of its present status:

## **Cambridge Animal Aid, Inc.**

**v.**

### **Plymouth County Commissioners and the Town**

In October 1982, the Plymouth County Commissioners voted to revoke the kennel license which had been issued by the Town to Cambridge Animal Aid, Inc. for the premises at 279 Pleasant Street in West Bridgewater. The license was revoked because of the failure of the licensee to comply with regulations issued by the County Commissioners. The licensee appealed such revocation to the Brockton District Court. The Court, after a hearing, recently affirmed the action of the County Commissioners in revoking the license. The licensee has now filed a motion for a new trial, and the matter is still pending.

## **Francis M. Silvia et al**

**v.**

### **Building Inspector of Town of West Bridgewater and Town of West Bridgewater**

This is an action which was brought by the plaintiffs in the Plymouth County Superior Court in August of 1972 against the Building Inspector of the Town and the Town itself to enjoin the Town from interfering with the plaintiffs' peaceful enjoyment of certain land in the Town and to obtain damages from the Town for its alleged interference with the plaintiffs' use of their land. The Town has filed a counterclaim against the plaintiffs, and the matter is still pending.

## **Ronald A. Martini**

**v.**

### **Town of West Bridgewater et al**

This is an action brought in January 1981 in the Plymouth County Superior Court by the plaintiff against the Town of West Bridgewater, the City of Brockton and eight (8) other Towns. The plaintiff sustained personal injuries in an automobile accident involving a motor vehicle being operated by a participant in the Brockton Manpower Consortium, also known as the Brockton CETA, which is a consortium consisting of nine (9) towns and the City of Brockton. The plaintiff claims that the operator of the other vehicle caused the accident, that as a participant in the CETA Program he is a municipal employee, and that all the municipalities who participate in CETA are responsible for the damages he sustained. The matter is still pending in Court.

**Lawrence W. Wardwell et al**

**v.**

**Zoning Board of Appeals et al**

This is an appeal by the plaintiffs of a decision of the Zoning Board of Appeals granting a variance to the owners of the Canoe Club for the construction of a gazebo on its property. The matter is still pending in the Plymouth County Superior Court.

**General Sandblasting Co., Inc.**

**v.**

**Zoning Board of Appeals**

This is an appeal of the decision of the Zoning Board of Appeals denying the plaintiff's application for a special permit to conduct outdoor sandblasting operations on its premises at 45 Turnpike Street. The matter is still pending in the Plymouth County Superior Court.

Respectfully submitted,

John P. Lee

*Town Counsel*

## **REPORT OF THE DATA PROCESSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

We, the members of the Data Processing Advisory Committee, respectfully submit the following report for 1983.

The members of the committee continue to provide assistance to the Town departments in reviewing proposals for providing Data Processing services as requested throughout the year.

We are currently working with the Plymouth County Treasurers office on a proposal to provide various Data Processing services for the Town. These services would include Payroll, Accounting and utility billing.

Respectfully submitted,

Data Processing Advisory Committee

William R. Brown, Jr.

Lawrence Conant

Everett B. Tufts, Jr.

## REPORT OF THE ARTS LOTTERY COUNCIL

The West Bridgewater Arts Lottery Council consists of Patrick Bell, William Lyons, Lorraine Piver, Donald Adams. Cheryl Adams (treasurer), Joseph Linehan (secretary), Roland Nadeau (Chair).

The Council met twice in 1983 (Sept. 22, Oct. 20) and concluded the following business:

The community was informed of the availability of application forms for arts grants from the State Lottery Council. Five applications were received by the deadline of October 15 and approved unanimously. These were:

Two separate applications by Sumner A. McClain of 288 Crescent Street, West Bridgewater for \$85 each for a one-hour storytelling program with musical accompaniment, one for Senior Citizens and one for school children.

An application by Nancy Bell for pen and ink drawings of two local historical buildings to be sketched by Bridgewater artist, Robert Huff. The amount requested and approved was \$450.

An application by the West Bridgewater Parent Teachers Organization for a production by the Pandemonium Puppett Company, with performances to be given at the Rose L. MacDonald School and the Howard School. The sum of \$775 was requested and approved.

An application by the West Bridgewater Council on Aging for a series of workshops or classes in the arts under the heading of "Art is Ageless." \$400 was requested and approved.

The Council also voted to request an appropriation of \$100 for administration expenses to provide for stationery, filing cabinet and postage.

Accordingly, the secretary sent the applications to the State Lottery Council in Boston for final approval and funding.

Respectfully submitted,  
Roland Nadeau  
*Chairman*

## REPORT OF THE BY-LAW STUDY COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Special Town Meeting held October 13, 1983 voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to cause a codification and reorganization of the town by-laws, zoning by-laws and regulations. This codification is being performed and compiled.

Respectfully submitted,  
By-Law Study Committee  
Paul Colandrea, *Chairman*  
Roger A. Coelho     Grete Bohannon  
Stewart Young     Donald Kennedy

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**WEST BRIDGEWATER**  
**SCHOOL DEPARTMENT**



# REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The past year has seen the development of a growing concern of the effectiveness of education in America today. Numerous reports and studies, at state and national levels, have focused on the many problems in the nation's schools, particularly the effectiveness of curriculum, the standards of discipline, and the quality of teachers.

We in West Bridgewater are fortunate to have already in practice the standards recommended in curriculum for students graduating at the secondary school level. These standards have been in place for a number of years, primarily because we have never been afforded the luxury of being in a financial position to hire instructors for such subjects as geology and basket weaving. In addition, our standards of discipline in our schools has been, and will remain, rigid but fair. We will continue to insist on conduct which will enable us to have in our schools an environment which is conducive to learning.

We have had as a policy for several years the practice of hiring the best qualified teachers, regardless of normal fiscal consideration. Teachers and parents are the backbone of our educational system.

Despite some fiscal limitations, we have managed to strengthen areas which five or six years ago were pointed out as weaknesses. Money and personnel were added to the Guidance Department. The long on-going science classroom projects at the High School have been completed and are now functioning effectively. Education in the computer field, non-existent four years ago, now begins at an introductory level in the third grade and extends through the senior year in high school. Twenty year old typewriters in the business department are being replaced, on a long term basis, with up-to-date word processing equipment. Text books, worn from fifteen to twenty years of service, have been replaced and upgraded to ensure that our students, particularly in science and social studies, have access to the most current information available.

Our students continue to score above the average, at local, state, and national levels on the SAT examinations. In sports, while not always victorious, our students have gained the reputation for outstanding conduct and good sportsmanship. In other areas, our youngsters also excel. They win art awards at regional and state level. Their performances with the Drama Club have provided entertainment to the community and resulted in all-star awards at a regional level. Our Math Team, new but growing, regularly competes very competitively against larger and better known schools in the South Shore area. The newly formed Key Club provides services to a number of worthwhile causes. For every youngster who makes trouble and headlines, there are fifty more who are quietly serving their school and community.

The Committee is currently in the process of selecting a new superintendent of schools. Doctor Drinkwater is leaving in March to accept a similar position in East Longmeadow, Massachusetts. We join the community in thanking Doctor Drinkwater for his outstanding service to both the school system and the community.

We also extend our appreciation to Mrs. Patricia Alger who finished her service to schools as a committee member.

In addition, we again give our thanks to the other town departments and the many citizens who have rendered their support and assistance to the educational system during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Leo Cronin, *Chairman*  
Thomas Kelley, *Vice-Chairman*  
Betty Ann Miller  
Joseph McMorro  
Robert Bourne  
Joseph Kennedy

# COMMENCEMENT

*Class of 1983*



## CLASS ADVISORS

Malcolm D. Reese

Sandra A. Reese

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mr. Leo Cronin, Chairman

Mr. Joseph McMorrow

Mr. Thomas Kelley

Mr. Robert Bourne

Mrs. Betty Alden Miller

Mr. Joseph Kennedy

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Dr. John S. Drinkwater

## PRINCIPAL

S. Erick Benson

## ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

J. Michael Janelli

JUNE 5, AT TWO O'CLOCK

## CLASS OFFICERS

<i>President</i>	Bettina Holton
<i>Vice President</i>	Carol Sabourin
<i>Secretary</i>	Patti Smith
<i>Treasurer</i>	Lynne Baker

## CLASS OF 1983

John William Ames	Barry Michael Guillemette	Tracy Ann Paquette
Alan-Philip Rejean Auglis	Pamela Jean Hall	Michael Joseph Preston
Mickey Roger Averill	Robert A. Hall	Bruce M. Purpura
Lynne Ann Baker	Eric David Hartshorn	James Alan Raleigh
Joseph F. Berger	Colleen Shannon Hegarty	Sherrie Reene Rascicot
Andreas S. Beutler	Maureen Shannon Hegarty	Carol Elizabeth Read
Jeffrey Alan Black	Bettina Marie Holton	Joel Chester Robbins
Donna Jean Brown	Mary Bradley Houston	Terri Ellen Robbins
Paul Scott Bryant	Lisa Marie Irvine	Cynthia Abbie Rounds
Christine Judith Buckus	Miriam Elizabeth Johnson	Carol Anne Sabourin
Jennifer Ann Burgher	Donna Jean Jollymore	Kerri Jane St. George
Paul Joseph Burke	Robert George Korotsky	Janice Marie Sawyer
Julie Ann Burnham	Anita Louise Kostecki	Dianne Elizabeth Seager
Nicholas J. Carreira, Jr.	John Michael Landry	Gregory Michael Simcik
Alan C. Cayting	Christine Lee Lauria	Cheryl Elaine Smith
Joseph Michael Chaves	Alan Stephen Leach	Patricia Ann Smith
Karen Louise Clark	Darren Mark Lindquist	Thomas P. Snell
Deborah Louise Cogswell	Suzanne Marie Lojko	Jeffrey Paul Soderholm
Michelle Joan Colandrea	Timothy Patrick Lynch	Scott Allan Souza
Tracey Ann Coran	Edward Robert J. Mailloux	Douglas Edward Springhetti
Patricia Louise Crean	Martin Thomas J. Mailloux	Richard Lawrence Spry
Mark Francis Davock	Sandra Beth MacLellan	Kurt David Stearns
Michael Stephen Douglas	Jeffrey Dikran Marganian	Jon M. Steinmetz
Brian Edward Drinkwater	Lisa Ann McElroy	Michael Edward Still
Thomas William Dunlevy, Jr.	Scott Michael McGinnis	Darlene Virginia Sweney
Amy Laurel Eaton	Heidi Lynn McLeod	Kristin Ann Swift
John Robert Eckstrom	Julie Ann Elizabeth Michienzi	Russell Teed
Pamela Louise Feodoroff	Christine M. Moore	Thomas E. Terranova
Christopher Donovan Feresten	Robert Joseph Moreira	Lonnie Marie Tessier
Kevin Michael Fuller	Vincent J. Murphy	Linda Marie Tibbetts
Elizabeth Ann Furey	Laurie Ann Neely	Judi Marie Tingley
Merri C. Gauthier	Jennifer Lee O'Brien	Robert Hippocrates Tsiaras
Robert Edward Ginn	Joseph Michael O'Connor	Richard Scott Warmington
Kelly Ann Giovanoni	Joann Leslie Ohlson	Denise Louise Weatherby
Leo James Giovanoni	Kimberley J. Paananen	Kenneth L. Whittier
Kimberly Ann Graham	Camille Theresa Palmieri	



# **REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

During the past few years a number of changes have occurred in the West Bridgewater Public Schools due to declining enrollment and fiscal restraints. We presently operate three schools with the Rose L. MacDonald School housing 308 students in grades K-3, the Howard School housing 251 students in grades 4-6, and the West Bridgewater Junior-Senior High School housing 653 students in grades 7-12.

A major challenge to be faced in the next four or five years will be the decline in enrollment which will take place at the secondary level and the subsequent impact on the program offerings available to students. As the enrollment decreases, the number of students choosing select courses such as Calculus, French 4, Art 4, etc., will also decrease. It is our hope that the citizens of West Bridgewater will continue to support education in such a way that the students will still be able to take a variety of courses; that is, students will still benefit from the programs available in a comprehensive high school.

At present we consider the West Bridgewater Public Schools to be offering a sound educational program to all students. Numerous opportunities are available to those students who wish to pursue a rigorous academic program. We have initiated a Gifted and Talented Program at the Howard School and expect to follow suit at the Junior High School level. Seniors can take courses at Stonehill, Bridgewater State College, and Massasoit. We encourage students to take six courses at the High School level so as to take full advantage of these years of learning. Our requirements exceed all the recommendations you hear about in the media today.

The citizens of West Bridgewater can be proud of the students and staff of the West Bridgewater Public Schools.

## **Junior-Senior High School**

1983 was a year of recognition for the High School Art Department. Six students represented the school in the 1983 National Scholastic Art Competition. This is the only competition in the nation that recognizes the notable artistic talents of high school students. An awards ceremony was held on May nineteenth to confer awards to the following: Kristine Freitas, Joe Preston, Alan Leach, Sandra MacLellan. Jon Steinmetz and Jeanne O'Neil each won state awards and Jeanne won Honorable Mention in the national competition.

A ceramic wall mural was presented to the school for its permanent art collection by the senior art students of 1982. It is a quaint Victorian house and can be seen in its permanent setting on the school office wall.

We are receiving word from former art students and their faculty that they are doing well in their college art programs.

The students' drawings, designs, paintings and clayworks can be seen annually at the Spring and Fall art exhibits which are held in conjunction with Parent-Teacher Conferences. The public is welcome and word is that the exhibits are very commendable.

The goals of the West Bridgewater Athletic, Intramural and Physical Education programs are to develop skills, values, attitudes and a competitive spirit which will help students become functioning, contributing members of today's active society. The Athletic program should not be thought of as an entity separate from academics, but as an integral part of the total educational experience.

We at West Bridgewater, believe that participation in athletic experiences contribute to the development of cognitive, psychomotor and affective skills, that cannot be accounted for anywhere else in the educational process.

During the Spring of 1982-1983 school year, there were 106 students involved in the Athletic program. The Fall semester of 1983 showed a total of 97 participants with the Winter semester showing 74. The total number of participants in West Bridgewater Athletic and Intramural programs for the 1982-1983 session was 496.

The Business Department of West Bridgewater Junior-Senior High School has been able to purchase a great deal of equipment at no cost to the school system. Through the efforts of Mr. Robert Lopes, former Business Department Coordinator, over the last 12 years, approximately \$50,000 in Federal Funds has been awarded to the department. This money has been used to acquire furniture (desk, chairs, etc.), typewriters, a-v equipment, calculators, typewriting programs, and transcription equipment. This year, Mrs. Gail Callahan, current Business Department Coordinator, is continuing the practice, and with the help of Mr. Lopes, the department has received \$5,611 with which it has purchased computers and related equipment.

Recently, Mrs. Gail Callahan, Coordinator of the Business Department was awarded her Masters Degree in Business Education from Suffolk University.

On Tuesday, October 25, and Thursday, October 27, Mrs. Joan Boyd, Business Education teacher and Mrs. Gail Callahan, Business Department Coordinator, attended a Radio Shack course on using Superscript (a typing program for the computer) in the classroom. Both educators plan to incorporate this new program in their classes.

The 1983 school year found the English Department continuing to update materials and curriculum. A number of texts were purchased to fulfill needs created by the adoption of full year courses in grades eleven and twelve. In addition, materials were purchased to update the seventh grade Reading program and to add to the seven through twelve vocabulary program. Curriculum areas with greatest need of revision were identified and a process for updating and revising these areas was created.



In the fall of 1983, a school newspaper was created. Mrs. Janice Ricciardelli, advisor, and her staff of over thirty-five students succeeded in publishing the first issue of a West Bridgewater High School newspaper to be printed in over five years.

This year, as has been the trend for many years, a large number of students have been examined for Athletics by Dr. Arthur P. Carriere.

Pre-physicals, which consist of height, weight and blood pressure, are still conducted the day previous to the physician's physical in order that this data be available to the physician before the examinations.

Confidential information is distributed to each member of the faculty on the day prior to the students' opening day of school so as to acquaint each teacher with a student that she or he may have as to hearing and vision problems — thus seating may be arranged accordingly. Students with specific handicaps and/or illnesses, such as Diabetes, Epilepsy, to give examples, are made known to the teachers from the first day of school and what to do if a problem with one of these students arises. They are also kept up-to-date with new problems as they arise.

It would be very advantageous if we had the knowledge pertaining to unusual home situations which could affect the student and his or her school life, such as an illness, death of a parent or family member, divorce in the family which could create emotional stress for such a student.

Vision and Hearing screening continues to be done on all students in the school system annually. However, the parent follow-up could improve when notices are sent home regarding failures.

In keeping with the Massachusetts Immunization Law, the immunization clinics continue as in the past with a vast majority of students participating through these clinics rather than going to their own physicians.

Scoliosis screening which is now mandatory annually by the state, was done in grades 5 through 9 by the Physical Education Department with referrals to the school nurse on students with positive or questionable signs. If the school nurse's diagnosis was positive or questionable, a form was sent to the parent or guardian to have their own physician examine the student and return the form with the physician's diagnosis.

Health counseling continues daily, especially in the higher grade levels. Many students just need someone they can confide in or who is willing to be a good listener.

The School Nurse also serves on the Core Evaluation Team and makes home assessments when necessary.

The School Nurse serves as advisor to The Future Nurses' Club.

During the school year, our Library has catalogued 270 books for its permanent collection. 71 periodicals and newspapers were purchased or renewed. The purchase of important reference books in all areas, along with bound periodicals have enhanced our resources. The addition of new bookcases has allowed for a complete reorganization of our shelving system.

A special thanks to the staff of the Public Library for their assistance and cooperation.

The Mathematics Department went through a complete review of textbooks currently in use. Recommendations have been made to upgrade the Geometry, Applied Math, and Computer Science series. The curriculum is in the process of major revision.

The Junior High seventh and eighth grade Math teachers will be presenting a computer literacy mini-course in January. All students at these grade levels will be learning introductory BASIC on the IRS-80. We have completed a full year of our new course: Computer Science, which involves programming in the BASIC language and its applications to problem-solving. It ran for two semesters. Next year, we hope to introduce a full year course in PASCAL.

Advanced Mathematics students are once more involved in competition. The Math Team, through the auspices of the South Shore Mathematics League and the New England Mathematics League, will compete in more than a dozen contests in 1983/84.

The West Bridgewater combined Jr.-Sr. High School Band continues in a pattern of growth, both in number of musicians and in quality of repertoire. In 1981-82, the combined Band grew from approximately 50, to 75 members. The 1982-83 school year, saw our membership mushroom from 75 to 98 members. This year, 1983-84, our numbers have swelled to 112 with several former Band members who were unable to schedule Band, practicing independently and sitting in at our concerts, thus bringing our total membership to 115 students.

Earlier in the year, our Band provided half-time entertainment at all home football games. The Band also participated in the Annual Tri-Town Veteran's Day Parade which this year was hosted by our Town of West Bridgewater.

Recently, at the Canoe Club, our Band presented their Annual Christmas Concert. Featured in the program was our 12 member Brass Choir, which also traveled around to different locations in Town, serenading with music of the Holiday Season.

This year has also seen the acquisition of new percussion equipment, and uniform white shoes for members of the Marching Band, comprised of 63 members from the full Concert Band.

Also, this year, three of our High School musicians were selected to represent the Town of West Bridgewater in the Lions All State Band. The Lions Clubs of the State sponsor outstanding young musicians from all over Massachusetts and pay for their three-day room and board at the New Convention Center in Hyannis, Massachusetts. After a rigorous rehearsal schedule, the young musicians entertain at the Annual Lions' Club State Convention.

Again, this year, one of our students has been chosen to represent the Town of West Bridgewater in the Massachusetts Music Educators Southeast District Festival Band. The site of this performance will be Silver Lake High School in Kingston.



The Band is now preparing for our Annual Spring Concert, Little League Parade and Graduation Exercises early this June.

The Jr.-Sr. High School Chorus has been growing since its revival last September. The Chorus consists of twenty enthusiastic students under the direction of Miss Susan Coyle. This year's performances included a combined Christmas Concert with the Jr.-Sr. High School Band, as well as concerts for the West Bridgewater Council on Aging and the Blue Hills Convalescent Home in Stoughton.

Last Spring, the Jr. High Fine Arts Department, Miss Susan Coyle, Music teacher and Mrs. Trish Holloway, Art teacher, put on the production entitled "Free To Be ... You and Me" which involved students grades 7 and 8. This Fall, the Student-Faculty Variety Show called "If They Could See Us Now!" was performed. It involved students, grades 7-9 and the show proved to be an educational and rewarding experience for the students as well as the faculty. This Spring the musical "The Wizard Of Oz" will be performed. The production will be a challenge to the directors and the cast.

In spite of Proposition 2½, the Science Department has endeavored to maintain high standards of classroom performance. Even before the present nation-wide scrutiny of education, and the demand for improving student achievement, the Science Dept. had already moved ahead in a positive direction.

First, textbooks have been constantly up-dated, keeping our students abreast of the newest developments in theory and technology. In certain classes, science publications are used to augment the text. These magazines contain the latest information about happenings in the field of science.

Also, five members of the department recently completed a training workshop in the use of computers. In collaboration with the Math Dept., we hope to introduce soon, science topics for the computer in the classroom.

Another media approach which has promise for classroom use is the video cassette recorder. Numerous educational programs have been taped and a VCR library is being established.

The Social Science Department has continued its work on curriculum review and revision. New materials have been purchased for *The United States History* and *American Legal System* courses, and three-year plans for material updates have begun in the 7th and 8th grade Social Science courses and in Senior High Sociology. Our next focus will be on the *World History* and *Modern European History* courses.

As materials are being garnered for courses with curricula in place, our senior requirement, *Contemporary American Issues*, is being rewritten to keep the content current and in line with the goals of the school system.

West Bridgewater students are involved in the Social Studies. We have students representing the town as Student Government Day delegates and a Voice of Democracy District Winner. The students learn the principles of American democracy in their classes and apply this knowledge to the "real world."

## Howard School

The Howard School presently has 254 students — Grade 4 (3 classes), Grade 5 (4 classes), and Grade 6 (4 classes). Students are grouped homogeneously for their CORE instruction in Reading, Language, Spelling, Handwriting, and Mathematics. Throughout the school year each child's program is periodically assessed and when appropriate, needed changes are made. Physical Science and Social Studies are also an integral part of each child's daily curriculum. Specialists provide students with instruction in Art, Music (Vocal and Instrumental), Library Science, and Physical Education.

For those students in need of extra academic, social, and/or emotional help services are provided through our Reading/Language Arts Department, Special Needs Department, or Chapter I program.

In addition to the basic academic areas a number of specialized programs have been developed to serve the students of the Howard School. All students in Grades 4, 5, and 6 participate in a Computer Literacy course for one 45 minute period per week for half the school year. The objectives of the program are: 1. to make students aware of the various computer applications in their environment. 2. to familiarize the students with the effect of computers in their every day lives, and 3. to give an exposure to programming in the Logo computer language. In addition throughout the school year classroom teachers utilize our Apple computers and software in remediation, enrichment, and simulation activities.

After extensive study and planning, a program for the academically talented students in Grades 4, 5, & 6 has been established. This program is called TOPHAT (Toward Our Potential Howard Academically Talented). Students are invited into the program based on the following criteria: 1. teacher recommendation 2. previous academic achievement 3. results of the Test of Cognitive Skills and 4. California Achievement Test (CAT) results. Presently, there are 37 students in the program. Students meet for 2½ hours per week and work in activities that develop: 1. self concept and affective needs as they deal with their talents and relationships with others 2. critical thinking skills in areas of logic, deductive reasoning, and problem solving 3. creativity in the areas of content, process, and product and 4. self-directed learning in the area of study, inquiry, research, and responsibilities.

For the second year, 81 students in Grades 4, 5, and 6 have taken advantage of an opportunity to attend a Saturday morning six week enrichment program at Massasoit College. Students are involved in such courses as: Introduction to the T.V. Studio, Futuristics, Issues in Child Care, Let's Put on a Show, etc. We are hoping to again offer the program in the Spring.

A new addition to the Howard School is the multiple handicap program (CID) which is administered by Project READS. This is a continuation of the classroom located at the Rose L. MacDonald School. We welcome the seven (7) students and staff of this program to our school and hope to integrate them as much as possible into the daily activity of the school.



The Parent-Teacher Organization and the Parent Volunteers continue to be a great help at all elementary schools. These parents are to be commended for the time and effort expended for the betterment of the children's educational program.

In closing, I would like to thank all staff members — teachers, specialists, secretaries, custodians, aides, and volunteers for their effort on behalf of our children.

Respectfully submitted,  
William M. Jones  
*Principal*  
Howard School

### **Rose L. MacDonald School**

Reading and the related language arts consisting of spelling, handwriting, and composition skills are a priority at the Rose L. MacDonald School. Much time and effort are devoted to finding and utilizing the most effective approaches and the best possible materials to teach children to read and write. Because children grow and learn at different rates, we find that using a variety of materials on various levels of difficulty is most successful.

Many forms of diagnostic procedures are used including informal screening and formal testing with supportive help for those students having learning problems. For students who learn at a faster rate, we offer enrichment reading services through such media as paperback books, special reading projects, the Junior Great Books, and many materials designed to challenge the higher level thinking and reading skills.

This year the Apple II computer system complete with monitor, printer, and some excellent reading and language software is available to the students through the reading department. Beginning with students in the third grade, we hope to make it available to as many students as possible.

Continuous assessment, evaluation, and refinement are on-going processes as we strive to improve reading and language instruction.

### **Special Education**

Our December 1st State Report indicated that we are serving 210 students in the Special Education Department. The Special Education Teachers and Aides provide small group instructions to all students who have prescribed Educational plans, not only remediation, but in some instances the core academic program in the resource rooms.

Frequent formal and informal testing are administered by specialists to aid each student achieve their educational goals.

This coming Spring, we will be notifying all parents who have children 3 and 4 years old, to bring them to school for our annual screening, especially those children who will be entering Kindergarten next September.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

I hereby submit the Treasurer's Report for Fiscal 1983.

I wish to express my appreciation and thanks to the Taxpayers and the various Town departments for their support during my first year as elected Treasurer-Collector.

### To Be Appropriated for July 1, 1984 - June 30, 1985

Department	Bond	Bond	Total
	Principal	Interest	
School	158,000.00	22,390.00	180,390.00
Water	30,000.00	12,150.00	42,150.00
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	188,000.00	34,540.00	222,540.00
Other			15,000.00
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			237,540.00

### Trust Fund Balances as of June 30, 1983

Pleasant Hill Cemetery Trust Fund .....	4,711.42
Pine Hill Cemetery Trust Fund .....	3,374.86
Library Trust Fund #1 .....	15,878.08
Library Trust Fund #2 .....	6,377.68
Library Trust Fund #3 .....	14,519.98
Howard Scholarship Fund .....	5,520.07
Curtis Memorial Library Fund .....	8,683.24

Respectfully submitted,  
Elizabeth L. Zamaitis  
*Treasurer-Collector*



**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**WEST BRIDGEWATER**  
**TOWN ACCOUNTANT**

**TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER**  
**GENERAL FUND — BALANCE SHEET — JUNE 30, 1983**

**Exhibit A**

**Assets**

Cash unrestricted checking		\$696,469.10
Investments		
Certificate of deposit	275,000.00	
Money Market Issues	<u>568,000.00</u>	843,000.00
<b>Receivables</b>		
Real (Exhibit A-1)	335,136.49	
Personal (Exhibit A-1)	64,712.66	
Liens	51,237.54	
Excise (Exhibit A-1)	84,237.15	
Water (Exhibit A-1)	59,132.90	
Departmental	3,400.00	
Due from state:		
Veteran services	14,466.44	
Highway	<u>37,958.50</u>	
Total - (Contra)	650,281.68	
Deduct - Provision for abatements	<u>33,017.08</u>	617,264.60
Tax foreclosures		2,757.52
<b>Other Debits</b>		
Unprovided unpaid expenditures		4,281.02
Fund Balance Designated For:		
Over assessments	3.06	
Unprovided abatements	<u>4,962.57</u>	4,965.63
<b>Total Assets</b>		<u><u>2,168,737.87</u></u>

**Liabilities and Fund Balance**

**Liabilities:**

Warrants payable		792,288.21
Accrued wages		91,675.96
Deferred revenue (contra)		650,281.68
Due to county		388.50
Overpayment - taxes		<u>216.72</u>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		1,534,851.07

**Fund Balance:**

Reserved for encumbrances	214,484.09	
Reserved for extraordinary and unforeseen expenditures	20,477.56	
Reserved for underassessments	4,082.53	
Reserved for expenditures	58,539.00	
Reserved for unpaid expenditures	4,281.02	
Unreserved	<u>332,022.60</u>	633,886.80
<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balance</b>		<u><u>2,168,737.87</u></u>

## COMBINED BALANCE SHEET — ALL FUND TYPES

## Receivables — June 30, 1983

	Year	Total	Real	Deferred	Rollback	Litigation
<b>General Fund:</b>						
Real:	1983	220,657.64	220,072.56	500.00	85.08	—
	1982	70,396.64	69,619.70	478.80	298.14	—
	1981	34,548.93	33,454.00	740.00	354.93	—
	1980	496.21	184.00	—	312.21	—
	1979	1,774.67	192.00	540.00	325.79	716.88
	1978	2,418.70	188.00	1,528.75	—	701.95
	1977	1,328.14	176.00	495.00	—	657.14
	1961-76	3,515.56	176.00	—	—	3,339.56
		<u>335,136.49</u>	<u>324,062.26</u>	<u>4,282.55</u>	<u>1,376.15</u>	<u>5,415.53</u>
<b>Excise:</b>						
		<b>Total</b>		<b>Vehicle</b>	<b>Farm</b>	<b>Boat</b>
	1983	46,222.88		45,927.14	15.00	280.74
	1982	7,846.63		7,831.63	15.00	—
	1981	4,225.13		3,913.13	312.00	—
	1980	12,690.94		12,666.44	24.50	—
	1979	6,968.73		6,968.73	—	—
	1978	6,282.84		6,282.84	—	—
		<u>84,237.15</u>		<u>83,589.91</u>	<u>366.50</u>	<u>280.74</u>

## Water and Provision

Other:	Personal	Liens
1983	59,498.44	59,132.90
1982	1,107.12	—
1981	1,710.00	—
1980	805.00	—
1979	1,113.60	—
1978	258.50	—
1977	220.00	—
	<u>64,712.66</u>	<u>59,132.90</u>

**Exhibit B****UNRESERVED FUND BALANCE — JUNE 30, 1983**

July 1, 1982 Balance	257,860.08
Add:	
Tax lien redemption and foreclosure sales	156,609.17
Tax lien disclaimed	1,500.00
Omitted assessments	5,346.34
Unexpended appropriations	116,358.45
Actual receipts over estimated	240,281.11
Restore tax foreclosure revenue	2,757.52
Total	<u>780,712.67</u>
Deduct — Adjustments:	
Provision for real and property revenue deferred	390,151.07
Provision for expenditures 1983/84	58,539.00
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June 30, 1983 Balance (Exhibit A)	<u><u>332,022.60</u></u>

**Exhibit D****SCHEDULE OF ESTIMATED AND ACTUAL REVENUE  
JUNE 30, 1983**

Source	Estimated	Actual	Over (Under)
<b>State:</b>			
Loss of taxes - Stated owned land	41,523	41,602	79
Loss of taxes - Veterans, et al	13,409	11,156	(2,253)
School - Chapter 70	650,769	660,956	10,187
School - Transportation	39,616	49,334	9,718
School - Construction	83,777	83,777	—
School - Related transportation	6,779	8,518	1,739
School - Tuition for State Wards	7,260	14,865	7,605
Police career incentive	12,046	11,284	(762)
Veterans benefits	7,550	17,576	10,026
Highway reconstruction & maintenance	38,784	38,784	—
Local Aid	407,501	407,501	—
Local Aid - Lottery	81,918	85,486	3,568
Highway Fund	36,979	36,979	—
Total State	<u>1,427,911</u>	<u>1,467,818</u>	<u>39,907</u>



**Local:**

Motor vehicle	176,828	194,495	17,667
Licenses	29,174	44,745	15,571
Fines	55,681	94,398	38,717
General government	76,431	57,774	(18,657)
School	967	322	(645)
Libraries	835	889	54
Farm animal excise	1,437	1,168	(269)
Interest	61,840	63,642	1,802
Water usage	109,452	228,120	118,668
Trailer park fees	7,119	7,623	504
Ambulance fees	18,414	27,885	9,471
Boat excise	—	616	616
Total Local	538,178	721,677	183,499

**Federal:**

Environmental	—	16,875	16,875
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Totals	<u>1,966,089</u>	<u>2,206,370</u>	<u>240,281</u>
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**Exhibit E****TRUST FUNDS****Balance Sheet — June 30, 1983****Assets:**

Cash and securities	<u>95,595.76</u>
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**Fund Balance:**

Cemetery perpetual care	15,417.81
Drury Bell	567.74
Library	45,458.98
Stabilization	28,631.16
W.J. & A.C. Howard Scholarship	<u>5,520.07</u>

Total Fund Balance	95,595.76
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**Debt Fund — June 30, 1983**

Net Funded on Fixed Debt	<u>934,000.00</u>
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**Loans payable:**

School	664,000.00
Water	<u>270,000.00</u>

Total	<u>934,000.00</u>
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## REVENUE SHARING FUND

## Balance Sheet — June 30, 1983

**Assets:**

Unrestricted cash	68.66
Investments — Combined (MMDT)	279,498.76

Total Assets	279,567.42
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**Fund Balance:**

Reserved for expenditures	238,000.00
Reserved for encumbrances	37,081.66
Unreserved	4,485.76

Total Fund Balance	279,567.42
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**Analysis of Fund Balance**

July 1, 1982 adjusted balance	6,156.67
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**Receipts:**

U.S. Government	179,941.00
Interest earned	29,175.99
Unexpended appropriations	27,212.10
Total	242,485.76

**Adjustments:**

Reserve for expenditures 1983/84	238,000.00
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June 30, 1983 balance	4,485.76
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**TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER  
APPROPRIATIONS — EXPENDITURES 1982-1983**

Account	Unexpended Balance 7-1-83	Appropriations	Transfer from Reserve	Receipts	Expended	Reverting to Revenue	Unexpended Balance 6-30-83
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>							
<b>General Government:</b>							
Selectmen	—	25,015.00	500.00	—	25,217.25	297.75	—
Moderator	—	150.00	—	—	150.00	—	—
Finance Committee	—	100.00	—	—	80.00	20.00	—
Reserve fund	—	30,000.00	—	—	30,000.00	—	—
Election & Registration	—	8,610.00	—	—	8,390.01	219.99	—
Town Reports	—	5,000.00	—	—	5,000.00	—	—
Totals	—	68,875.00	500.00	—	68,837.26	536.74	—
<b>Financial Administration:</b>							
Accountant	—	8,943.00	366.61	—	9,309.61	—	—
Assessors	—	17,195.00	—	—	16,747.75	447.25	—
Assessors revaluation	24,107.20	—	—	—	24,107.20	—	—
Treasurer/Collector	—	45,891.00	—	652.51	46,448.18	95.33	—
Tax-lien foreclosures	—	5,000.00	—	—	3,505.23	—	1,494.77
Clerk	—	17,072.00	—	—	16,580.22	491.78	—
Law	—	18,000.00	4,276.50	—	22,276.50	—	—
Appeals Board	—	800.00	—	—	799.91	.09	—
Planning Board	—	2,075.00	—	—	1,675.75	399.25	—
Planning Board Matfield Woods	—	—	—	3,500.00	2,312.00	—	1,188.00

Account	Unexpended Balance 7-1-83	Appropriations	Transfer from Reserve	Receipts	Expended	Reverting to Revenue	Unexpended Balance 6-30-83
Town Hall	—	20,539.00	—	100.00	20,515.58	123.42	—
Contributory retirement	—	92,992.00	—	—	92,992.00	—	—
Insurance casualty	—	—	6,474.00	1,043.60	7,517.60	—	—
Totals	<u>24,107.20</u>	<u>228,507.00</u>	<u>11,117.11</u>	<u>5,296.11</u>	<u>264,787.53</u>	<u>1,557.12</u>	<u>2,682.77</u>
<b>Public Safety:</b>							
Police	—	529,619.00	2,119.67	—	531,738.67	—	—
Police revolving	5,218.75	—	—	35,187.21	39,173.96	—	1,232.00
Police facility	1,200.00	—	—	—	995.00	205.00	—
Police cruisers	21,092.00	—	—	—	21,092.00	—	—
Police TV System	—	3,000.00	—	—	1,960.00	1,040.00	—
Fire	—	200,817.00	8,698.43	6,770.32	216,285.75	—	—
Fire - Call pagers	—	5,000.00	—	—	4,859.00	141.00	—
Fire - Energy grant	—	—	—	765.00	765.00	—	—
Fire - Ambulance	—	—	—	30,301.75	2,417.25	27,884.50	—
Tree Warden	—	61,613.00	731.20	—	62,344.20	—	—
Building Inspector	—	14,063.00	—	—	13,946.80	116.20	—
Gas & Plumbing Inspector	—	2,025.00	985.00	—	3,010.00	—	—
Sealer of Weights & Measures	—	767.00	—	—	765.93	1.07	—
Wire Inspector	—	1,160.00	—	—	971.00	189.00	—
Civil Defense	—	393.00	—	—	339.65	53.35	—
Dog Officer	—	17,564.00	—	—	16,917.93	646.07	—
Radio Transmitters	—	2,750.00	30.00	—	2,780.00	—	—
Totals	<u>27,510.75</u>	<u>838,771.00</u>	<u>12,564.30</u>	<u>73,024.28</u>	<u>920,362.14</u>	<u>30,276.19</u>	<u>1,232.00</u>



Account	Unexpended Balance 7-1-83	Appropriations	Transfer from Reserve	Receipts	Expended	Reverting to Revenue	Unexpended Balance 6-30-83
<b>Education:</b>							
School	—	2,816,862.00	—	100.00	2,810,147.72	6,814.28	—
School Athletic Revolving	5,393.76	—	—	3,273.50	5,834.50	—	2,832.76
School Hot Lunch	10,782.42	—	—	163,546.08	163,405.64	—	10,922.86
School Vocational	—	1,200.00	—	—	1,029.13	170.87	—
School Energy Repairs	15,565.29	—	—	—	14,749.67	815.62	—
School Regional	—	70,578.00	—	—	66,887.65	3,690.35	—
W.J. & A.C. Howard Scholarship	105.55	—	—	250.00	250.00	—	105.55
School Revolving	3,798.76	—	—	12,154.36	9,421.40	—	6,531.72
School Special Ed. Teaching	—	—	—	842.00	—	—	842.00
School Title I	6,644.97	—	—	28,845.00	32,230.80	—	3,259.17
School Adapted Physical Ed.	188.42	—	—	—	188.42	—	—
School Psychological Serv.	3,601.60	—	—	—	3,601.60	—	—
School Title I Grant	700.30	—	—	—	700.30	—	—
School Parent Training	314.64	—	—	—	314.64	—	—
School Title IV	736.10	—	—	—	736.10	—	—
School Adapted Phys. Ed. I	—	—	—	3,600.00	3,402.00	—	198.00
School Psychological Serv.	—	—	—	40,385.00	34,164.92	—	6,220.08
School Accounting Concepts	—	—	—	5,698.00	5,698.00	—	—
School LEA Incentive Grant	—	—	—	10,943.79	10,943.79	—	—
School ECIA Block Grant	—	—	—	7,342.00	7,342.00	—	—
<b>Totals</b>	<u>47,831.81</u>	<u>2,888,640.00</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>276,979.73</u>	<u>3,171,048.28</u>	<u>11,491.12</u>	<u>30,912.14</u>
<b>Highways and Streets:</b>							
Highways	—	203,460.00	—	—	166,768.62	36,691.38	—
Highway - Gas Revolving	3,666.00	—	—	45,008.40	46,067.77	—	2,606.63

Account	Unexpended Balance 7-1-83	Appropriations	Transfer from Reserve	Receipts	Expended	Reverting to Revenue	Unexpended Balance 6-30-83
State Aided Construction	48,783.21	37,759.00	—	—	50,612.33	—	35,929.88
Sewer Master Plan	37,500.00	—	—	—	—	37,500.00	—
Street Lights	—	5,000.00	3,127.10	—	8,127.10	—	—
Engineering Services	—	1,000.00	1,026.00	—	2,026.00	—	—
Highway construction	—	—	—	5,610.00	—	—	5,610.00
Totals	89,949.21	247,219.00	4,153.10	50,618.40	273,601.82	74,191.38	44,146.51
<b>Other Environmental:</b>							
Industrial Dev. Comm.	—	50.00	—	—	—	50.00	—
IDC Finance Authority	—	100.00	—	—	64.30	35.70	—
Historical Commission	—	500.00	—	—	—	500.00	—
Historical Comm. - Waterwheel	578.69	—	—	—	—	578.69	—
Conservation Commission	—	750.00	431.00	—	1,136.21	44.79	—
Totals	578.69	1,400.00	431.00	—	1,200.51	1,209.18	—
<b>Human Services:</b>							
Health	—	107,793.00	668.55	—	108,461.55	—	—
Multi-Health Service	—	3,936.00	—	—	3,936.00	—	—
Council on Aging	—	7,715.00	565.94	—	8,280.94	—	—
Council on Aging Grant	—	—	—	7,250.00	6,962.15	—	287.85
Council on Aging - State	—	—	—	920.00	910.44	—	9.56
Veterans Services	—	34,993.00	—	—	29,175.01	5,817.99	—
Cemetery Trust Funds	—	—	—	934.40	934.40	—	—
Totals	—	154,437.00	1,234.49	9,104.40	158,660.49	5,817.99	297.41
<b>Culture and Recreation:</b>							
Library	—	57,235.00	—	50.00	57,224.89	60.11	—

Account	Unexpended Balance 7-1-83	Appropriations	Transfer from Reserve	Receipts	Expended	Reverting to Revenue	Unexpended Balance 6-30-83
Library Trust Funds	2,804.93	—	—	—	1,367.70	—	1,437.23
Library State Aid	—	—	—	3,179.50	—	—	3,179.50
Library Cty. Dog Fund	—	—	—	2,132.90	—	—	2,132.90
Christmas Decorations	—	150.00	—	—	30.60	119.40	—
Memorial & Veterans Days	—	300.00	—	—	295.90	4.10	—
Memorial Field	—	500.00	—	—	461.21	38.79	—
Recreation	—	3,750.00	—	—	3,608.21	141.79	—
Drury Bell Contributions	424.61	—	—	—	424.61	—	—
Tennis Courts	—	200.00	—	—	198.00	2.00	—
Totals	3,229.54	62,135.00	—	5,362.40	63,611.12	366.19	6,749.63
<b>Enterprise:</b>							
Water	—	135,351.00	—	—	135,269.87	81.13	—
Water-Vehicle Repair	—	3,000.00	—	—	2,373.25	626.75	—
Totals	—	138,351.00	—	—	137,643.12	707.88	—
<b>Debt Service:</b>							
Bonds & Interest	—	298,530.00	—	—	281,174.28	17,355.72	—
<b>State &amp; County Assessments:</b>							
Special Education	7,698.00	9,012.00	—	—	—	16,457.48	252.52
County Tax	66.34	73,275.94	—	—	71,617.23	—	1,725.05
Recreation Areas	(2,361.41)	34,583.10	—	—	30,598.89	—	1,622.80
Air Pollution	18.33	922.96	—	—	796.51	—	144.78
Mosquito Control	133.11	8,192.64	—	—	7,988.37	—	337.38
Old Colony Planning Council	(.60)	1,272.40	—	—	1,271.80	—	—
Motor Vehicle Excise Bills	—	966.00	—	—	966.00	—	—

Account	Unexpended Balance 7-1-83	Appropriations	Transfer from Reserve	Receipts	Expended	Reverting to Revenue	Unexpended Balance 6-30-83
Retired Teachers	—	22,127.63	—	—	22,130.69	—	(3.06)
Totals	5,553.77	150,352.67	—	—	135,369.49	16,457.48	40,794.47
Other:							
Energy revolving	1,008.21	—	—	—	496.48	—	511.73
Exchange	—	—	—	3,497.57	3,497.57	—	—
Insurance proceeds	—	—	—	2,060.64	960.80	—	1,099.84
Old Unpaid Bills	—	35,248.89	—	—	35,248.89	—	—
Stabilization Fund	—	10,000.00	—	—	10,000.00	—	—
Totals	1,008.21	45,248.89	—	5,558.21	50,203.74	—	1,611.57
Federal Revenue Sharing:							
Insurance - casualty	—	54,532.00	—	—	54,532.00	—	—
Insurance - group	—	135,000.00	—	—	125,459.61	9,540.39	—
Insurance - unemployment	—	32,000.00	—	—	14,328.29	17,671.71	—
Street lights	—	35,000.00	—	—	35,000.00	—	—
Contributory retirement	—	40,000.00	—	—	40,000.00	—	—
Highway drainage	35,081.66	—	—	—	—	—	35,081.66
Library expansion committee	2,000.00	—	—	—	—	—	2,000.00
Totals	37,081.66	296,532.00	—	—	269,319.90	27,212.10	37,081.66



# COLLECTOR OF TAXES

I hereby submit the Tax Collector's Report for 1983.

	Outstanding 1/1/83	Committed 1983	Abated 1983	Refunded 1983	Collected 1983	Tax Title	Balance 12/31/83
1978 Motor Vehicles	8,649.85				3,060.36		5,589.49
1979 Motor Vehicles	9,862.45				3,683.26		6,179.19
1980 Motor Vehicles	15,819.41		94.05		4,245.28		11,480.18
1981 Motor Vehicles	5,553.82		57.67	8.32	1,811.70		3,692.77
1982 Motor Vehicles	20,232.79	5,218.43	1,748.97	789.93	18,541.25		5,950.93
1983 Motor Vehicles		205,867.78	13,736.43	2,259.92	177,393.44		16,997.83
1977 Personal Property	220.00				220.00		—
1978 Personal Property	258.50						258.50
1979 Personal Property	1,677.60		24.00		540.00		1,113.60
1980 Personal Property	966.00		46.00		115.00		805.00
1981 Personal Property	2,046.00			60.00	436.00		1,670.00
1982 Personal Property	1,856.40				840.00		1,016.40
1983 Personal Property		112,438.92	314.50	506.56	108,209.80		4,421.18
1984 Personal Property		109,699.80			52,650.15		57,049.65
1979 Farm	24.50						24.50
1980 Farm	312.00						312.00
1981 Farm	15.00						15.00
1982 Farm	1,106.64				1,091.64		15.00
1983 Farm		1,139.35			591.85		547.50
1983/84 Water	45,116.54	189,689.71	1,891.56	552.40	166,018.62 (w.L. 45,762.79)		21,685.68
1981 Water Lien	78.87				55.87	23.00	—
1982 Water Lien	1,453.12				482.10	281.70	689.32
1983 Water Lien		17,706.58			15,417.18		2,289.40

	Outstanding 1/1/83	Committed 1983	Abated 1983	Refunded 1983	Collected 1983	Tax Title	Balance 12/31/83
1984 Water Lien		28,056.21			19,053.51		9,002.70
1981 Real Estate	40,360.76		8,199.84	8,199.84	31,884.08	7,542.01	934.67
1982 Real Estate	90,241.39		4,345.65	4,520.65	24,491.12	13,697.31	52,227.96
1983 Real Estate		3,047,913.42	54,187.05	23,250.52	2,889,802.15		127,174.74
1984 Real Estate		3,167,075.35	48,286.52		1,424,983.58		1,693,805.25
Boat Excise		1,093.00	195.78		616.48		280.74
Forest Products		40.00			40.00		—
Roll Back Tax		1,396.15			1,396.15		—
1980 Real Estate			4,002.69	4,002.69			—
1979 Real Estate			720.00	720.00			—
	\$245,851.64				\$4,947,670.57		\$2,025,229.08
Trailer Park Excise					8,694.00		
Interest Collected					25,340.48		
Charges Collected					4,695.00		
					<u>\$4,968,400.05</u>		

Respectfully submitted,  
Elizabeth L. Zamaitis  
*Treasurer-Collector*

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## OFFICE HOURS FOR TOWN OFFICES

Assessors	Daily 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. 1st & 3rd Wednesday Evening, 7:00 - 9:00
Board of Health	1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.
Planning Board	1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.
Selectmen	Daily 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Reg. Meetings: Monday 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Tax Collector & Treasurer	Daily 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. 1st & 3rd Wednesday Evening, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Town Clerk	Daily 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. 1st & 3rd Wednesday Evening, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Veterans' Services	Daily 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Monday thru Thursday
Water Department	Daily 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. 1st & 3rd Wednesday Evening, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

## TELEPHONE NUMBERS

SELECTMEN'S ..... 586-1394

### CONNECTING ALL TOWN OFFICES:

588-4820 ..... 588-4854

ASSESSOR'S ..... 588-6740

WATER DEPARTMENT ..... 583-0813

### FIRE DEPARTMENT:

ONLY in case of fire — call ..... 586-3232

(Give Name, Address and Type of Fire)

For Permits to Burn — call ..... 586-4137

FOR AMBULANCE SERVICE ..... 586-3232

### POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Call this number — day or night ..... 586-2525

DOG OFFICER ..... 584-8998

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS OFFICE ..... 586-5094

# 1983

## TOWN REPORT



# WESTBRIDGEWATER

*Laurie Turner*

WEST  
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**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**Town Officers and Committees**  
**OF THE TOWN OF**  
**WEST BRIDGEWATER**



**For the Year Ending December 31**  
**1984**



## ***THIS ANNUAL REPORT IS DEDICATED TO:***

The following in particular and all other current and past elected and appointed persons serving the Town:

Since About 1942.....	John C. Eldridge
Since About 1946.....	Ervin G. Lothrop
Since About 1949.....	Edward G. Asack
Since About 1949.....	Anna E. Brown
Since About 1951.....	Arthur E. Chaves
Since About 1952.....	Thomas B. MacQuinn
Since About 1953.....	George V. Hollertz, Jr.
Since About 1955.....	Warren A. Turner

In an unselfish, loyal and dedicated Manner. The Town is, indeed, grateful to all citizens who are able and inclined to serve our common interest and welfare.



## ***In Memoriam***

**John H. Hamilton, Jr.**

*Board of Appeals*

1971 - 1979

*Regional Vocational School Committee*

1966 - 1972

*School Committee*

1964 - 1970

*Howard School Property Committee*

*Regional School Committee*

**Malcolm A. MacLean**

*Finance Committee*

1959 - 1965

**Russell P. Robery**

*Planning Board*

1954 - 1972

# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Annual Report of the Board of Selectmen is herewith presented in accord with M.G.L., Chapter 40, Section 49.

Members of this Board of Selectmen presently represent West Bridgewater on the Massachusetts Municipal Association Board of Directors, Massachusetts Selectmen's Association Executive Board, Plymouth County Selectmen's Association Board of Directors and Plymouth County Advisory Board. Experience and information gained at meetings such as these aids your Board to function in a professional and efficient manner.

Through the office of your Board of Selectmen the "Stars & Stripes Forever" fund has been established. This fund has been responsible for the new flagpole located on the Center Common. The dedication ceremony on December 2, 1984 was held in conjunction with the Pearl Harbor Parade promoted by the Firefighters' Association and was the highlight of 1984.

Your Highway Department has worked in cooperation with the School Department to rebuild and pave parking lots and driveways at a substantial cost savings to the town. A more in-depth report of the condition of the streets in West Bridgewater and the operation of that Department can be found in the report of the Highway Department Superintendent.

The Board of Selectmen is charged with the responsibility of maintaining proper use and conditions of municipal buildings. It has been seven years since the Town Hall has required any exterior maintenance. This year the trim needs some repairs and painting. There is an article on the warrant to accomplish this.

Both the Police Station and the Library Facilities are over-crowded. There is a real need for extensive changes in both of these buildings. The Police Station Building Committee has an article on the warrant regarding that problem and the Library Trustees have an article for architectural plans for the future.

The Board of Selectmen has expressed a need for a permanent municipal building needs committee to review all our town buildings and make recommendations as to maintenance and use.

The last Annual Town Meeting appropriated funds for two additional permanent Firefighters. This has been accomplished. The used '85 ladder truck recently purchased from the Town of West Springfield is being prepared for service and promises to be an excellent addition to that Department.

A permanent contract has been signed with Continental Cablevision to service our community with television cable service and a permanent committee has been established and appointed to monitor the system.

A new Commission for Handicap Affairs has been formed as required by the Federal Revenue Sharing Act. The Town accounts have been audited as required by the same Act and copies are available for review at the Selectmen's Office.

The Board of Selectmen has been working closely with all town departments and the Finance Committee to insure continued stability in our fiscal policies.

The Board of Selectmen wishes to express our thanks and appreciation to all departments and boards for their cooperation and dedication. It is the spirit of service which makes your town government function efficiently.

Respectfully submitted,  
Charles H. Johnson, *Chairman*  
Charles A. Pickering, *Clerk*  
Eldon F. Moreira, *Member*  
Board of Selectmen

# **STATISTICS**

## **Of the Town of West Bridgewater**

1970 - Federal Census - 7152

1984 - Town Census - 6623

Total Registered Voters - 3834

		PRECINCT 1		
Republican	522	Democrat	450	Unenrolled 853

		PRECINCT 2		
Republican	496	Democrat	451	Unenrolled 1062

Number of Residences - 1988

Area of Town - 15.75 Square Miles

59.33 Miles of Water Mains

Local Road Mileage 62

COUNCILLOR - FIRST DISTRICT  
John Britland

SENATOR - 2nd PLYMOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT  
Edward P. Kirby

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT  
10th PLYMOUTH DISTRICT  
Michael C. Creedon

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS  
11th CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
Brian Donnelly

1985

Town Meeting - April 8

Town Election - April 13



# Town Officers for 1984

## MODERATOR

	Elected	Term Expires
John C. Eldridge	1984	1985

## TOWN CLERK

	Elected	Term Expires
Anna E. Brown	1982	1985

## SELECTMEN

	Elected	Term Expires
Charles H. Johnson	1984	1987
Charles A. Pickering	1982	1985
Eldon F. Moreira	1983	1986

## ASSESSORS

	Elected	Term Expires
Gary A. Boyd	1982	1985
DeSales J. Heath	1983	1986
Irving W. Puffer	1984	1987

## TREASURER/COLLECTOR

	Elected	Term Expires
Elizabeth L. Zamaitis	1984	1987

## TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

	Elected	Term Expires
Michael Manugian	1982	1985
Helen Millet	1982	1985
Bruce Edson	1983	1986
Robert Wayne Legge	1984	1987
Barbara Perkins	1983	1986
James Grandfield	1984	1987

## REGIONAL - VOCATIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

	Elected	Term Expires
Eugene Kostecki	1984	1987

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

	Elected	Term Expires
Robert S. Bourne	1982	1985
Betty Alden Miller	1982	1985
Joseph A. Kennedy	1983	1986
Thomas F. Kelley	1983	1986
Leo Cronin	1984	1987
Linda Santry	1984	1987

## WATER COMMISSIONERS

	Elected	Term Expires
Edward G. Asack	1982	1985
Donald N. Davock	1983	1986
John W. Noyes	1984	1987

## TREE WARDEN

	Elected	Term Expires
Thomas B. MacQuinn	1983	1986

## CONSTABLES

	Elected	Term Expires
Edwin T. Gibson	1983	1986
Raymond L. Silva	1983	1986

## BOARD OF HEALTH

	Elected	Term Expires
Edward F. Cruz	1982	1985
Marie T. Bagley	1984	1986
Ronald C. Broman	1984	1987

## PLANNING BOARD

	Elected	Term Expires
Howard Anderson	1980	1985
D. Christopher Cross	1981	1986
Wilfred Howard	1982	1987
Grete Bohannon, Appt.	1984	1985
Stephen P. Wood	1984	1989

## HOUSING AUTHORITY

	Elected	Term Expires
Carl R. Bystrom	1980	1985
Robert Kellie	1981	1986
Albert Greiner	1982	1987
Marion H. Bartell (By State)	1983	1988
Richard C. Williams	1984	1989

## Officers Appointed by the Selectmen

### TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Arthur E. Chaves

### ADMINISTRATOR OF INSURANCE

Charles H. Johnson

Ronald P. Gerhart

### APPEALS, BOARD OF

	Appointed	Term Expires
William E. Turner, Jr.	1982	1985
Harry Ketler	1982	1985
Henry Podolsky	1983	1986
Harry G. Pierson, Jr.	1984	1987
<i>Associate Members:</i>		
Joseph H. Kameese	1983	1986
James F. Wolfsberg	1983	1985

### ARTS LOTTERY COUNCIL

Paul R. Brown	Donald Adams
Patrick B. Bell	Joseph Linehan
Lawrence Lyons	Lorraine A. Piver
Cheryl Adams	

### BROCKTON AREA MENTAL HEALTH & RETARDATION REPRESENTATIVE

Lana Robbins

### BUILDING INSPECTOR

Robert Robichaud

### BY-LAW STUDY COMMITTEE

	Appointed	Term Expires
Roger A. Coelho	1981	1985
Paul P. Colandrea	1982	1985
Stewart J. Young	1982	1985
Grete M. Bohannon	1984	1987
Donald A. Kennedy	1984	1987

## CABLE TELEVISION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

	Appointed	Term Expires
James L. Grandfield	1984	1985
Richard J. Bagley	1984	1985
Herbert P. Billett	1984	1986
Louis R. Cabana, Jr.	1984	1986
Peter W. Turner	1984	1987
Samuel Feinberg	1984	1987

## CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

	Appointed	Term Expires
Michael Manugian, Director		1985
Ronald P. Snell, Deputy Director		1985

## COMMISSION ON HANDICAP AFFAIRS

James C. Barber	Kathleen V. Fenstermaker
Virginia Michaels	Russell I. Bump

## CONFIDENTIAL SECRETARY

Artemis Bucci

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

	Appointed	Term Expires
Judith Kinney	1984	1985
Linda Green	1982	1985
John A. Dacey	1983	1986
Hugh R. Hurley	1983	1986
Thomas J. Driscoll	1984	1987
Joseph Souza	1984	1987
Howard M. Hayward	1984	1987

## COUNCIL ON AGING

	Appointed	Term Expires
George E. McGuire	1982	1985
Beth I. Burgess	1982	1985
David J. Cohen	1982	1985
Lloyd A. Sears	1983	1986
Winifred H. Manzer	1983	1986
Eleanor Lindsey	1983	1986
Mildred H. Lucier	1984	1985
Kenneth B. Hollis	1984	1987
Kathleen V. Fenstermaker	1984	1987
Samuel Feinberg	1984	1987
Marjorie E. MacDonald	1984	1987
Virginia T. Michaels	1984	1987



## DATA PROCESSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

William R. Brown, Jr.

Everett B. Tufts

### DOG OFFICER

Julie A. Vivace

### DRURY BELL COMMITTEE

Marjorie E. MacDonald

Charles H. Johnson

Charles A. Pickering

Eldon F. Moreira

### ENERGY COORDINATOR

George Miller

### FENCE VIEWERS

Joseph Souza

Marilyn A. Raleigh

### FIELD DRIVERS

Howard A. Anderson

George E. Richardson

Julie A. Vivace

### HERITAGE TIME CAPSULE CUSTODIANS

	Appointed	Term Expires
Kenneth A. Turner	1982	1985
Charles A. Pickering	1984	1986
Marjorie E. MacDonald	1984	1987

### HERRING WARDEN

Philip C. Tuck

### DEPUTY HERRING WARDENS

Thomas B. MacQuinn

Joseph Souza

### HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

	Appointed	Term Expires
Harold F. Colby, Jr.	1982	1985
Francis J. Beary	1982	1985
Lawrence D. Conant	1983	1986
Nancy J. Bell	1983	1986
Lucia Marcotte	1984	1987

## INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

	Term Expires
Leon Beaulieu	1985
Donald L. MacIver - Chairman	1986
Frank Miller	1987
George V. Hollertz, Jr.	1988
William E. Turner, Jr.	1989

## ADVISORY COMMITTEE to the INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

	Term Expires
Carl R. Bystrom	1985
Charles Higgins	1986

## INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY

	Term Expires
Donald L. MacIver	1985
Carl E. Turner	1986
Joseph L. McMorrow, Sr.	1987
Robert L. Smith	1988
Madelyn T. Burke	1989

## INSPECTOR OF WIRES

Albert Greiner

## LOCKUP KEEPER

Walter Thayer

## MEMORIAL FIELD COMMITTEE

Robert Splitz	Thomas Roulstone
William R. Brown	

## MEMORIAL AND VETERANS' DAY COMMITTEE

William R. Brown, Sr.	Emmet Miller
Francis Boyd	Alfred Luce

MULTI-HEALTH SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE

Madeline F. Kipper

OCPC AREA AGENCY ON AGING

William R. Brown, Sr.

Kenneth Hollis, Alternate

OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL, 3 Years

Appointed Term Expires

Charles A. Pickering

1983

1986

OLD COLONY ELDERLY SERVICES

Beth Burgess

David Cohen, Alternate

OLD COLONY TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Raymond Chace

OLD COLONY OVERALL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
PROGRAM REPRESENTATIVE

George V. Hollertz, Jr.

PARKING CLERK

Charles H. Johnson

PIC DESIGNEE

PLYMOUTH COUNTY ADVISORY BUDGET DESIGNEE

Charles H. Johnson

PLUMBING AND GAS INSPECTOR

Joseph Donovan

CHIEF OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Ervin G. Lothrop

SUPERINTENDENT OF PEST CONTROL, 3 Years

Thomas B. MacQuinn

RECREATION COMMISSION

	Appointed	Term Expires
Ethel Fisher	1979	1984
Joseph G. Gareri	1980	1985
Mary Lou Jenness	1981	1986
Marie Connolly	1983	1988

## REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

	Appointed	Term Expires
Lance R. Ohlson	1981	1984
Francis J. Boyd	1982	1985
Edward M. Pingree	1983	1986

## REPRESENTATIVE TO SELF-HELP, INC.

Charles Baker

## SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Donald E. Newman

## SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Warren A. Turner

## TENNIS COMMITTEE

Donald A. Fisher  
Frank Miller

Nancy M. Consolazio  
Marianne Lorrain

Marlene A. Howell

## TOWN COUNSEL

John P. Lee

## TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

Thomas B. MacQuinn

Richard E. Norris

## VETERAN'S BURIAL AGENT

Armen Amerigian



# Presidential Primary

## March 13, 1984

Under warrant issued by the Board of Selectmen and dated March 5, 1984 the Presidential Primary was held at the Spring Street School with the polls open from 7 A.M. until 8 P.M.

Penalty and instruction cards and specimen ballots and all other requirements of the law were observed.

The ballot boxes in both precincts were inspected and the registers set at 0000. 1,220 Republican Ballots and 1,200 Democratic Ballots were given to the Wardens of both precincts by the Town Clerk and receipt given for the same.

### Election Officers:

**Precinct I:** DeSales J. Heath, Warden; Edythe Baker, Clerk & Deputy Warden; Natalie Beauleau, Mary Cruz, Joyce Nystrom, Helen Johnson, Checkers; Marie Murray, Helen Souza, Audrey Johnson, Joanne Stork, Janet Merritt, Alice Richardson, counters and Observers; Dorothy William, Claire Davock Total tally.

**Precinct II:** John Sillars, Warden; Warren A. Turner. Clerk & Deputy Warden; Shirley Almquist, Helen Nelson, Paula Turner, Barbara Cohen, Checkers; Elizabeth Turner, Lois Ketler, Ann Long, Catherine Chaves, Counters and Observers: William R. Brown, Jr. and Joseph Souza total tally.

At the Close of the Polls the ballot box showed 375 Ballots cast in Precinct I of these 125 were Republican and 250 Democratic.

At Close of Polls the ballot box showed 461 ballots cast in Precinct II of these 114 were Republican and 347 Democratic.

The following results were announced:

### REPUBLICAN BALLOT

	Prec. I	Prec. II	Total
PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE:			
Ronald Reagan	106	97	203
No Preference	8	8	16
Scat	4	3	7
Blanks	7	6	13

# STATE COMMITTEE MAN:

George C. Decor	97	81	178
Blanks	28	33	61

# STATE COMMITTEE WOMAN:

Penny F. Reed	65	58	123
Gloria E. Striggles	54	52	106
Blanks	6	4	10

# TOWN COMMITTEE:

Barbara Knight	98	76	174
Charles H. Johnson	104	99	203
Eldon F. Moreira	105	92	197
Warren E. Turner	96	90	186
Charles A. Pickering	108	92	200
DeSales J. Heath	94	82	176
Gary A. Boyd	91	85	176
John C. Eldridge	85	75	160
Robert L. Smith	84	72	156
Warren A. Turner	95	96	191
Elizabeth G. Turner	91	79	170
Fiona Miller	92	81	173
Patricia A. Alger	100	78	178
Frank S. Miller	97	82	179
Betty Alden Miller	97	97	184
Richard A. Knight	92	74	159
Ronald J. Brynes	88	71	159
Marjorie E. MacDonald	97	93	190
Eugene Kostecki	91	86	177
Mildred H. Lucier	91	77	168
Lance R. Ohlson	103	92	195
Scattered		1	1
Blanks	2376	2230	4606

## DEMOCRATIC BALLOT

### PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE:

Jesse Jackson	5	6	11
Gary Hart	115	131	246
Reubin Askew	0	0	0
George McGovern	38	78	116
Walter Mondale	43	84	127
Ernest F. Hollings	13	0	13
Alan Cranston	8	1	9

John Glenn	19	37	56
No Preference	3	1	9
Scattered	4	5	9
Blanks	2	4	6

STATE COMMITTEE MAN:

Gary D. Jones	155	227	382
Blanks	95	120	215

STATE COMMITTEE WOMAN:

Diana Lothrop	199	296	495
Therese Murray	22	26	48
Blanks	29	25	54

TOWN COMMITTEE:

Richard E. Krugger	159	215	374
Joseph F. Linehan	162	241	403
Catherine M. Chaves	155	228	383
Diana C. Lothrop	177	239	416
Francis J. Lynch, II	153	221	374
Shirley L. Krugger	142	201	343
Marie C. Murray	152	222	374
Edward M. Pingree	141	219	360
Francis J. Boyd	153	221	374
Joseph McMorrow	150	223	373
Irving W. Puffer	138	218	356
John B. Sillars	150	222	372
Raymond E. Chace	156	231	387
John S. Baker	142	220	263
Richard E. Krugger, Jr.	140	206	316
Robert Simcik	15	37	52
George Holyoke		1	1
Thomas Newell		2	2
Thomas Kemp		2	2
Thomas Lydon		2	2
Edward Taackenberg		1	1
Barry Swartz		2	2
Denise Swartz		2	2
Blanks	2715	3564	6279

A true copy,  
Attest: Anna E. Brown, CMC  
Town Clerk

# Annual Town Meeting

## April 9, 1984

The following action was taken at the Annual Town Meeting in which the inhabitants of the Town qualified to vote in elections and town affairs were notified by warrant issued by the Board of Selectmen and posted by the Constable Edwin T. Gibson, On April 2, 1984.

*Article 1. Voted:* The reports of all Town Officers and Committees be accepted as printed in the 1983 Town Report.

*Article 2. Voted:* The Town Treasurer, with approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow in the anticipation of the Revenue of the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 1984 in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

*Article 3. Voted:* The Board of Selectmen be authorized to enter into a contract or contracts with the Department of Public works and the County Commissioners for the construction and maintenance of Public highways for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1984.

*Article 4. Voted:* To transfer the sum of \$2,132.90 from the County Dog Fund and the sum of \$3,179.50 from the Library State Aid Account to the Library Expense Account.

*Article 5. Voted:* The salary of the following elected Town Officials for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1984 be set at:

Moderator	\$ 168.00	Tree Warden	\$23,032.00
Selectmen	4,785.00	Assessors	5,586.00
Town Clerk	16,800.00	Water Com.	3,342.00
Treas./Collector	21,071.00	Board of Health	1,251.00

The following committees to serve without pay:

Library Trustees - School Committee - Planning Board

*Article 6. Voted:* The Town appropriate \$5,661,609.00 to defray town charges as recommended, said sum to be appropriated by salary and expense totals as printed and to meet such expenditures as follows:

Insurance Casualty/group - From Revenue Sharing	\$170,000.00
Water Budget, & Water Bonds and	149,796.00
Interest - From Water Revenue	42,150.00
For Reserve Fund - From Overlay Surplus:	20,000.00



The Library Account to be reduced by Library State Aid \$3,179.50 and County Dog Fund, \$2,132.90 and the balance to be raised by taxation. Out of State Travel \$1,000.00.

See schedule enclosed for breakdown by departments.

**Article 7. Voted:** To authorize the School Committee to maintain a state-aided Vocational program in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 74, General Laws, as amended and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,100.00.

**Article 8. Voted:** The town appropriate and transfer from Excess and Deficiency the total sum of \$81,868.00 to meet the Town's share of \$20,467.00 and in anticipation of reimbursement, the State's share of \$61,401.00 for State Aid Highway Construction and Maintenance in accordance with the following awarded amounts:

MGL Chapter	Year	State Share	Town	Total
732 of 1982	1982-83	\$16,917.00	\$ 5,639.00	\$22,556.00
	1983-4	16,917.00	5,639.00	22,556.00
289 of 1983	1983-4	27,567.00	9,189.00	36,756.00
Totals		\$61,401.00	\$20,467.00	\$81,868.00

**Article 9. Voted:** To raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 to be expended by the Water Commissioners to purchase a parcel of land at the end of Maolis Avenue shown as parcel 7 on West Bridgewater Assessing Plans E5 and F5 and being further described as follows: A certain lot of land situated on the Easterly side of Kenneth Street and being in the easterly extension of Maolis Avenue, more or less, bound and described as follows:

Westerly by Kenneth Street, fifty feet;

Northerly by lot 43 on plan hereinafter referred to, 250 feet more or less:

Easterly by a Brook and land now or formerly of Clinton P. Howard;

Southerly by Lot 41 on said plan, 267.35 feet more or less; said lot being lot 42 on a plan of building lots in West Bridgewater, owned by Evan R. Golder, Scale 1" = 100', May 24, 1924 by Hayward & Hayward Surveyor recorded in Plymouth County Registry of Deeds as Plan book 3 page 375. Conveyance of said lot includes the release to all right, title and interest in improvements to said land both above and below ground as well as a release forever of a claim for damages which may have occurred as a result of said improvements to the land.

Meaning and intending to convey a parcel of land 13,068 s.f. more or less in area being the first parcel described in Deed Book 3524 Page 750 Lester J. Golder, Jr. to Lester J. Golder, Jr. and Helen M. Golder recorded at the Plymouth Country Registry of Deeds.

*Article 10. Voted:* The sum of \$16,000.00 be appropriated to be expended by the Water Commissioners to purchase a truck with plow equipment and to authorize and empower the Board of Water Commissioners to dispose of one 1974 Dodge pickup truck in the best interest of the Town.

*Article 11. Voted:* The sum of \$20,000.00 be appropriated to be expended by the Water Commissioners to purchase and install new pumping equipment at the Cyr Street pumping station.

*Article 12. Voted:* To authorize the Board of Selectmen to contract with SEMASS Partnership for the disposal of refuse, garbage or waste, which contract may be generally in the form of the contract heretofore proposed and on file in the office of the Town Clerk or may be in such other form as the Selectmen may approve and to act in any other manner in relation thereto.

*Article 13. Voted:* The sum of \$23,000.00 be appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen for the purchase and equipping of two (2) 1984 Sedan type Cruisers for the Police Department and to authorize and empower the Board of Selectmen to dispose of two, 1983 Cruisers in the best interest of the Town.

*Article 14. Voted:* The sum of \$1,500.00 be raised and appropriated to purchase selective call pagers for the personnel of the Fire Department.

*Article 15. Voted:* The sum of \$2,500.00 be raised and appropriated to replace existing regulators on the self contained breathing apparatus (Scott Air Pacs) from the "Demand type" to the "Positive Pressure."

*Article 16. Voted:* The sum of \$11,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen for the purchase, certification and painting of a used ladder truck for the Fire Department and to authorize and empower the Board of Selectmen to dispose of the 1950 American Lafrance Ladder Truck in the best interest of the Town.

*Article 17. Voted:* The Town, pursuant to the provisions of MGL Section 49, Chapter 351, Acts of 1981, change of fee schedule of the Sealer of Weights and Measures and adopt the new schedule. Schedule of fees recorded in Town Record Book.

*Article 18. Voted:* To raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000.00 to be expended by the Board of Selectmen for materials and services to reconstruct and repair sidewalks, curbing and drainage and to repave sidewalks, drives, parking areas and service aprons at the Rose L. MacDonald School.

*Article 19. Voted:* To amend the by-laws by adding Chapter 17, Article 2 Cable Television, the Town of West Bridgewater By-laws, revised 1983 to allow the Board of Selectmen to create a permanent cable television committee.

Complete Cable Television By-law recorded in Town Record Book.

*Article 20. Voted:* The sum of \$388.71 be raised and appropriated to pay unpaid bills for fiscal 1983-1984 as follows:

Recreation - S&S Arts & Crafts	\$116.46
Dog Officer - Westbridge Veterinary Hospital	272.25

*Article 21. Voted:* To raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 to establish a fund from which monies may be expended from time to time by the Board of Selectmen following an explanation to the Finance Committee for the purpose of purchase of Equipment and/or supplies that may become available from any surplus Agency.

*Article 22. Voted:* To rescind further authorization to borrow granted under Article 36, Annual Town Meeting, April 4, 1980.

*Article 23. Voted:* The sum of \$10,000.00 be appropriated for the Stabilization Fund.

*Article 24. Voted:* The sum of \$20,000.00 be transferred from Surplus Revenue to be used for the purpose of reducing the tax rate for the Fiscal Year July 1, 1984 to June 30, 1985.

*Article 25.* To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

A true copy,  
Attest: Anna E. Brown, CMC  
Town Clerk



# Annual Town Election

## April 14, 1984

The Annual Town Election was held at the Spring Street School on Saturday, April 14, 1984. The Warrant issued by the Selectmen was posted by the Constable, Edwin T. Gibson, on April 2, 1984 in accordance with the provisions of the Town By-Laws.

Specimen ballots, cards of instructions and abstracts of the laws imposing penalties upon voters were posted as required by the laws of the Commonwealth.

The polls were opened at 9 A.M. The ballot boxes in both precincts were inspected and the registers set at 00000. A total of 2,500 ballots were given to the Warden John Sillars and receipt given to the Town Clerk for the same.

At the close of the polls at 8 P.M. the ballot box registers showed the following number of ballots cast:

Precinct I	448
Precinct II	507
Total	<hr/> 955

The following workers were sworn in:

**Precinct I:** DeSales Heath, Warden; Edyth Baker, Clerk; Natalie Beaulieu, Mary Cruz, Helen Johnson, Theresa Boardman, Checkers: Lois Ketler, Ann Long, Marie Murray, Janet Merritt, Elizabeth Turner, Catherine Chaves, Counters and observers; Dorothy Williams, Claire Davock, Tally.

**Precinct II:** John Sillars, Warden; Warren Turner, Clerk; Coralee Travers, Shirley Almquist, Paula Turner, Barbara Cohen, Checkers; Audrey Johnson Joanne Stork, Debbie Podolsky, Karolyn Boyd, Counters and observers; William R. Brown, Jr. and Joseph Souza, Tally.

The results were declared at 10:15 P.M. and were as follows:

	Prec. I	Prec. II	Total
MODERATOR, 1 yr.			
Lawrence Conant	186	255	441
John C. Eldridge	250	223	473
Blanks	12	29	41

John E. Eldridge declared elected



# SELECTMAN, 3 yrs.

Eldon F. Moreira	369	409	778
Blanks	78	96	174
Scattered	1	2	3

Eldon F. Moreira declared elected

# ASSESSOR, 3 yrs.

Irving W. Puffer	325	351	676
Scattered	0	1	1
Blanks	123	155	278

Irving W. Puffer declared elected

# TREASURER/COLLECTOR, 3 yrs.

Elizabeth L. Zamaitis	370	418	788
Blanks	78	89	167

Elizabeth L. Zamaitis declared elected

# TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY, 3 yrs.

James Grandfield	277	270	547
Robert W. Legge	338	372	710
Blanks	281	372	653

James Grandfield and Robert Legge declared elected

# SCHOOL COMMITTEE, 3 yrs.

Leo Cronin	262	261	523
Joseph McMorro	234	207	441
Linda A. Santry	281	375	656
Blanks	119	171	290

Leo Cronin and Linda A. Santry declared elected

# WATER COMMISSION, 3 yrs.

John W. Noyes	372	411	783
Blanks	76	96	172

John W. Noyes declared elected

# BOARD OF HEALTH, 3 yrs.

Ronald C. Broman	349	395	744
Blanks	99	112	272

Ronald C. Broman declared elected

BOARD OF HEALTH, 2 yrs.

Marie T. Bagley	329	354	683
Blanks	119	153	272
Marie T. Bagley declared elected			

PLANNING BOARD, 5 yrs.

Grete Bohannon	110	197	307
Stephen P. Wood	312	269	581
Blanks	26	41	67
Stephen P. Wood declared elected			

REGIONAL-VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE, 3 yrs.

Eugene Kostecki	360	397	757
Scattered	2	0	2
Blanks	86	110	196
Eugene Kostecki declared elected			

HOUSING AUTHORITY, 5 yrs.

Richard C. Williams	353	379	732
Blanks	95	128	223
Richard C. Williams declared elected			

A true Copy,  
Attest: Anna E. Brown  
*Town Clerk*

## Special Town Meeting

### July 17, 1984

A meeting of which the inhabitants of the Town of West Bridgewater qualified to vote in Election and Town Affairs was held at the Jr.-Sr. High School Auditorium on Tuesday, July 17, 1984. Meeting called to order by the Moderator, John C. Eldridge at 7:30 P.M.

38 Voters checked in.

The warrant and the constables return was read by the Town Clerk, Anna E. Brown.

The meeting proceeded as follows:

**Article 1. Moved:** The sum of \$47,700.00 be transferred from unencumbered fund balance to meet negotiated increases for the following departments for the current fiscal year:

Police	\$ 28,000
Fire	10,270
Highway	6,260
Tree	1,040
Water	2,130

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

**Article 2. Moved:** The Town Vote to accept the Gift of a telephone communication system at the Fire/Police Station.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

**Article 3. Moved:** The sum of \$2,227.13 be transferred from unencumbered fund balance to pay the following old bills for fiscal 1983-1984:

Joseph P. Donovan	\$ 955.00
Police Department	1,272.13

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

**Article 4.** To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Motion made and seconded meeting be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 7:38 P.M.

A true copy,  
Attest: Anna E. Brown, CMC  
Town Clerk

# State Primary

## Sept. 18, 1984

The State Primary was held at the Spring Street School on Tuesday, September 18, 1984. The Warrant issued by the Selectmen was posted by the Constable Edwin T. Gibson on Sept. 7, 1984 in accordance with the Provisions of the Town By-Laws.

Specimen ballots, cards of instruction and abstracts of the laws imposing penalties upon voters, were posted as required by the laws of the Commonwealth.

The polls were opened at 7 A.M. The Ballot boxes in both precincts were inspected and the register set at 0000. A total of 1,100 Republican Ballots and 900 Democratic Ballots were given to the Warden in Precinct I and receipt given for the same. A total of 1,100 Republican Ballots and 1,100 Democratic ballots were given to the Warden in Precinct II and receipt given for same to the Town Clerk.

At the close of the Polls at 8 p.m. the Ballot Box register showed the following number of ballots cast.

Precinct I - 505		
Democratic	167	Republican 338
Precinct II - 546		
Democratic	230	Republican 316

The followng workers were sworn in:

**Precinct I;** DeSales Heath, Warden; Edythe Baker, Clerk; Mary Cruz, Natalie Beaulieu, Helen Johnson, Marie Langer; Checkers; Counters and Observers: Debbie Podolsky, Beulah Alger, Janet Merritt, Alice Richardson, Nancy Consolozio, Mary Leonard; Total Tally: Joseph Souza, Ann Long.

**Precinct II:** John Sillars, Warden; Warren E. Turner, Clerk; Shirley Almquist, Coralee Travers, Paula Turner, Barbara Cohen, Checkers: Counters and Observers: Joan McAndrew, Katherine Diebel, Joann Stork, Marie Murray, Helen Souza, Audrey Johnson, Elizabeth Turner, Elaine Laughton; Total Tally: Joseph Souza, Ann Long.

The results were declared as follows:



# REPUBLICAN BALLOT

	Prec. I	Prec. II	Total
SENATOR IN CONGRESS			
Elliot L. Richardson	69	88	157
Raymond Shamie	267	226	493
Blanks	2	2	4
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS:			
Scattered	2	2	3
Blanks	336	315	651
COUNCILLOR:			
John Medeiros	95	74	169
Francis B. Morse, Jr.	160	162	322
Blanks	83	80	163
SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT:			
Edward P. Kirby	270	266	536
Blanks	68	50	118
REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT:			
Bruce Larson	1	0	1
Scattered	0	1	1
Blanks	337	315	652
REGISTER OF PROBATE:			
Raymond Guillette	3	0	3
Blanks	335	316	651
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:			
Mathew C. Striggles	233	228	461
Scattered	0	1	1
Blanks	443	403	846
TREASURER:			
Lawrence P. Novak	216	210	426
Blanks	122	106	228
COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vacancy)			
Dianne Lothrop	1	0	1
Kevin Donovan	1	0	1
Blanks	336	316	652

# DEMOCRATIC BALLOT

Prec. I    Prec. II    Total

## SENATOR IN CONGRESS:

David Bartley	8	20	28
Michael Connelly	21	19	40
John Kerry	124	76	200
James Shannon	67	46	113
Scattered	2	0	2
Blanks	8	6	14

## REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS:

Brian J. Donnelly	199	144	343
John P. Scialdone	23	14	37
Blanks	8	9	17

## COUNCILLOR:

Daniel Bogan	55	40	95
Robert M. Hunt	38	28	66
Rosemary Ticerney	100	68	168
Blanks	37	31	68

## SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT:

Richard M. McGrath	95	59	154
Leo J. Purcell	109	85	194
Blanks	26	23	49

## REPRESENTATIVE GENERAL COURT:

Michael C. Creedon	180	136	316
Blanks	50	31	81

## REGISTER OF PROBATE:

John J. Daley	188	130	318
Blanks	42	37	79

## COUNTY COMMISSIONER:

Joseph W. McCarthy	147	98	245
Daniel B. Daly, Jr.	74	49	123
Kevin R. Donovan	94	65	159
Roger E. Silva	34	22	56
Blanks	111	100	211

## TREASURER:

John F. McLellan	182	133	315
Blanks	48	34	82

COUNTY COMMISSIONER:

David E. Crosby  
Blanks

185	139	324
45	28	73

A true copy,  
Attest: Anna E. Brown,  
Town Clerk

**State Election  
November 6, 1984**

The State Election was held at the Spring Street School on Tuesday, November 6, 1984. The Warrant issued by the Selectmen was posted by the constable on Oct. 26, 1984 in accordance with the provisions of the Town By-Laws.

Specimen ballots, cards of instructions and abstracts of the laws imposing penalties upon voters, were posted as required by the laws of the Commonwealth.

The polls were opened at 7 A.M. The Ballot boxes in both precincts were inspected and the register set at 0000. A total of 1950 Ballots were given to the Warden in Precinct 1 and 2200 ballots to the Warden in Precinct II and receipt given for the same to the Town Clerk.

At the close of the Polls at 8 p.m. the ballox box register showed the following number of ballots cast.

Precinct I - 1543

Precinct II - 1672

The following workers were sworn in:

**Precinct I:** Charles H. Johnson, Warden; Edyth Baker, Clerk; Mary Cruz, Natalie Beauleau, Helen Johnson, Joyce Nystrom, Checkers; Counters and Observers: Debbie Podolsky, Beulah Alger, Janet Merritt, Alice Richardson, Nancy Consoazio, Mary Leonard, Helen Souza, Marie Murray, Joann Stork, Audrey Johnson, Peter Turner, Helen A. Nelson; William R. Brown, Jr. and Joseph Souza, Tally.

**Precinct II:** John B. Sillars, Warden; Warren A. Turner, Clerk; Shirley Almquist, Coralee Travers, Paula Turner, Barbara Cohen, Checkers; Joan McAndrew, Katharine Diebel, Elaine Laughton, Ann Long, Katherine Chaves, Eleanor Coelho, Lois Ketler, Carolyn Capp, Betty Cain, Marie Langer, Virginia Lovell, Marjorie Baker, Counters and Observers; Claire Davock, Dorothy Williams, total Tally.

The results were declared as follows:

	Prec. I	Prec. II	Total
PRESIDENT & VICE PRESIDENT			
Mondal & Ferraro	457	490	947
Reagan & Bush	1070	1169	2239
Serrette & Ross	6	4	10
Blanks	10	9	19
SENATOR IN CONGRESS			
John F. Kerry	536	614	1150
Raymond Shamie	997	1041	2038
Blanks	10	17	27
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS			
Brian J. Donnelly	1071	1143	2214
Scattered	1	0	1
Blanks	471	529	1000
COUNCILLOR			
Francis B. Morse, Jr.	812	807	1619
Rosemary S. Tierney	558	684	1242
Scattered	0	1	1
Blanks	173	180	353
SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT			
Edward P. Kirby	996	959	1955
Leo J. Purcell	480	625	1105
Blanks	67	88	155
REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT			
Michael C. Creedon	1049	1127	2176
Scattered	0	1	1
Blanks	494	544	1038
REGISTER OF PROBATE			
John J. Daley	1014	1085	2099
Blanks	529	587	1116
COUNTY COMMISSIONER			
Joseph W. McCarthy	615	707	1322
Matthew C. Striggles	1021	1024	2045
Kevin R. Donovan	431	521	952
Blanks	1019	1092	2111



## TREASURER

John F. McLellan	640	740	1380
Lawrence P. Novak	770	766	1536
Blanks	133	166	299

## COUNTY COMMISSIONER

David E. Crosby	1083	1146	2229
Blanks	460	526	986

A true copy,

Attest: Anna E. Brown,

*Town Clerk*

## **Special Town Meeting December 10, 1984**

A meeting of which the inhabitants of the Town of West Bridgewater qualified to vote in election and Town Affairs was held at the Jr.-Sr. High School Auditorium on Monday, Dec. 10, 1984. Warrant was issued by the Board of Selectmen and posted by the Constable, Edwin T. Gibson on the 6th Day of November 1984.

Meeting called to order by the Moderator, John C. Eldridge at 7:32 P.M. Warrant was read by the Town Clerk Anna E. Brown.

Meeting proceeded as follows:

*Article 1.* Motion made and seconded the sum of \$11,000.00 be transferred from the Unencumbered Fund Balance to add to the Ladder Truck Account as voted at the annual town meeting April 9, 1984, Article #16.

By unanimous vote, motion carried.

*Article 2.* Motion made and seconded the sum of \$3,500.00 be transferred from the Unencumbered Fund Balance to purchase fuel oil to heat the Senior Center located in wing "A" of the Spring Street School.

Upon vote motion carried.

*Article 3.* Motion made and seconded the sum of \$12,600.00 be transferred from the Unencumbered Fund Balance to replace the telephone communication system in the Town Hall.

Upon vote motion carried.

*Article 4.* Motion made and seconded the sum of \$215.00 be transferred from the Unencumbered Fund Balance to be expended by the Board of Library Trustees to purchase a Battery for the emergency lighting system and wall clock.

By unanimous vote, motion carried.

*Article 5.* Motion made and seconded the sum of \$1,424.30 be transferred from the Unencumbered Fund Balance to pay the following old bills for fiscal 1983/1984:

American Arbitration Assoc.	20.00
Dorr's Print	27.51
DEMCO	113.35
Cardinal Cushing General Hospital	245.09
Physical Therapy Services Inc.	550.00
Radiologists of Cardinal Cushing Hosp.	26.00
Russell Wheatley Co.	333.85
J. K. Holmgren & Associates, Inc.	8.50

By unanimous vote, motion carried.

*Article 6.* To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Motion made and seconded the Town vote to accept the Flagpole monument provided by the citizens of the Town of West Bridgewater adjacent to the Soldiers Monument in Central Square.

By unanimous vote, motion carried.

Motion made to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.M. with 47 voters present.

A true copy,  
Attest: Anna E. Brown, CMC  
Town Clerk

# Births Recorded in 1984

## January

9	Brian Thomas Hunt	Leonard Thomas Hunt & Margaret Ann Waterman
10	James Allie Eldeb, III	James Allie Eldeb, Jr. & Jean Marie Bandlow
21	Carlos Jose Gomes	Jose Carlos Gomes & Marie deGracia Rodrigues

## February

7	Joseph Michael Cacchione	Alexander Cachione, Jr. & Sharon Lee Somes
8	Courtney Ellen Ternullo	John Ternullo & Marie Chaves Chaves
14	Tifanie Marie Card	Robert Allen Card & Diane Marie Contre
19	Jenna Ann Picanzo	James Matthew Picanzo & Debra Ann Desrosiers
20	Katrina Lucille Peter	Robert R. Peter & Nancy A. MacDonald

## March

6	David Norman Porter	David Glennden Porter & Dianne Cheryl Campbell
13	John Joseph Apree, III	John Joseph Aprea, Jr. & Donna Catherine Caivano
20	Christopher Lawrence Bandlow	Albert Lawrence Bandlow & Evelyn Anne Rehill
22	John William Roberts	John Lewis Roberts & Sharon Leslie Deane
23	Matthew Lee Shaw	Ronald L. Shaw & Jeanne E. Pare
27	Melissa Dorothy Clarke	David Clarke & Nancy Ellen Callahan

## April

3	Katherine Collins Larson	Bruce Warren Larson & Christina Louise Collins
5	James Joseph Roussell	James J. Roussell & Lisa Anne Maver
7	Patrick James McDonough	Brian P. McDonough & Lori J. Baker
9	Amanda Lee Ridley	Michael Edward Ridley & Linda Susan Brown

9	Lisa Jennifer Langlais	Philip J. Langlais & Lynne Sanborn
17	Colleen Mildred Wade	Steven P. Wade & Patricia Ann Chase
20	Jennifer Marie Holland	Edward James Holland & Marcia Jean Williams
20	Jennifer Rose Caron	Dennis J. Caron & Theresa Bercume Caron
25	Dayna Marie Carnes	Steven Thomas Carnes & Andrea Mary Shine
30	Gregory Howard Miles	Gerald H. Miles & Ruth E. Anderson
May		
3	Christopher Russell Horton	Thomas Horton & Lisa Dekin
10	Rebecca Lynne Olson	Kevin Olson & Karen Brophy
11	Sarah Elizabeth Evans	David S. Evans & Mary J. Chenevert
June		
5	Jennifer Pierce Hoelscher	Michael J. Hoelscher & Teri-ann Pierce Hoelscher
21	Melissa Jean Bailey	Timothy J. Bailey & Linda J. Coonan
26	Maura Eileen Tennihan	Robert Clemens Tennihan & Christine Mary Engdahl
26	Mariel Anna Blair	Jonathan H. Blair & Gertraud Lewandowski
July		
15	Nicholas Howard Anderson	Philip Howard Anderson & Lesley E. Hanson
22	Michael David Purpura	David J. Purpura & Cindy L. Meaney
22	Lauren Elizabeth Rogers	Raymund S. Rogers & Beth Ann Beaulieu
26	Erin Marie Nelson	David J. Nelson & Mary J. Tyrell
26	Melissa Anne Ellis	Robert S. Ellis & Irene E. Mountain



## August

- 1 Erin Elizabeth Feeney  
1 Christopher Miley Lutz  
2 Amy Marie Ferron  
11 Michael Richard Harvey  
29 Marc David Pratti  
30 Rachel Ann Simono

John E. Feeney &  
Nancy B. Day  
Richard Mark Lutz &  
Mary E. Miley  
Richard Joseph Ferron &  
Diane Marie Linehan  
Michael L. Harvey &  
Kathleen M. Beals  
Harold J. Pratti &  
Eileen M. Hughes  
John Charles Simono &  
Donna Marie Lee

## September

- 2 Christina Anna Gazaille  
6 Matthew Richard Krugger  
15 Gregory Robert Holmes  
19 Shannon Caitlin Heath  
27 Danielle Nicole Sullivan  
28 Stephen Francis Gerald

Russell A. Gazaille &  
Ruth A. Homan  
Richard E. Krugger Jr. &  
Sally E. Farnum  
William H. Holmes &  
Roberta M. Rehling  
Richard D. Heath &  
Annette M. VanderStaay  
Donald J. Sullivan &  
Sharon L. Roberts  
Stephen H. Gerald &  
Ann M. O'Leary

## October

- 5 Steven Joseph Kenn  
9 Matthew Anthony Arrigo  
25 Lorne Kevin Beane, Jr.  
25 Brian James McMenamin

Peter J. Kenn &  
Sharon L. Child  
Glenn A. Arrigo &  
Elise M. Dion  
Lorne Kevin Beane &  
Theresa A. Cappiello  
James E. McMenamin Jr. &  
Donna M. Kinney

## November

- 1 Richard Michael O'Leary, Jr.  
2 Kevin Daniel Robicheau  
25 Joshua Adams Parker

Richard M. O'Leary &  
Dolores J. MacMillan  
Raymond L. Robichaeu &  
Rhonda Edington  
Kevin A. Parker &  
Patricia J. Holcomb

26	Meredith Frances Conant	Lawrence D. Conant & Jeanne H. Cushing
26	Joshua Roy Russell	Jeffrey P. Russell & Susan E. Limbey
28	Lisa Marie Pinheiro	Jose Albert Pinheiro & Tina Marie Finch
December		
8	Benjamin Lee Peterson	Mark C. Peterson & Deborah J. Rinaldi
9	Joshua William Anderson	Chester R. Anderson & Julie Ann Chaplic
12	Kevin George West	Daniel G. West & Kathleen Ann Conley
30	Craig Michael Backstrom	Dale L. Backstrom & Catherine M. Smith

## Marriages Recorded in 1984

### January

- 11 Leo L. Roderick, Jr. of Brockton and Barbara Adams of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater
- 13 Edward L. Boulanger of W. Bridgewater and Michelle M. Tosetti of W. Bridgewater at Bourne.
- 22 John Lawrence Pistone of W. Bridgewater and Joanna May Cap of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater

### February

- 4 Richard Joseph Ferron of W. Bridgewater and Diane Marie Linehan of W. Bridgewater at Stoughton
- 10 David W. Bettencourt of W. Bridgewater and Kathie-Ann Zamaitis of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater
- 11 Douglas Anderson of Brockton and Lucy Bugginga of Brockton at W. Bridgewater
- 14 John Lewis Roberts of W. Bridgewater and Sharon Leslie Deane of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater
- 18 Gary Paul Kerr of Weymouth and Mary Louise Ahl of Weymouth at Abington
- 25 Karl I. Jernberg of Cotuit and Patricia A. Dawson of Cotuit at W. Barnstable

## March

- 2 Charles F. Doiron of Brockton and Denise Clapp of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater
- 16 Frederic A. Sonnenberg of W. Bridgewater and Marion E. Burke of W. Bridgewater at Edgartown.

## April

- 8 Scott D. Glidden of Brockton and Laurie L. LaCrosse of W. Bridgewater at North Easton
- 27 Wayne J. Graves of S. Easton and Elaine Carbone of W. Bridgewater at Brockton
- 28 Bryan K. Bouzan of Brockton and Karen M. Kaminsky of W. Bridgewater at W. Abington
- 30 Ronald A. Gonyou of Taunton and Patricia A. Backlund of Taunton at Rehoboth

## May

- 5 Francis J. Boyd of W. Bridgewater and Mary Louise McCarthy Cogswell of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater
- 13 Lee T. Kendrick of W. Bridgewater and Ana L. Munoz of Boston at W. Bridgewater
- 19 David A. Raymond of Roslindale and Lori J. Savage of Norton at W. Bridgewater
- 19 Joseph M. Zinni, Jr. of Brockton and Jane A. Higgins of Brockton at W. Bridgewater

## June

- 9 Paul Leo Hurley, Jr. of Brockton and Susan Priscilla Thatcher of Brockton at Brockton
- 9 Robert W. Young, Jr. of Brockton and Sheli J. Robbins of W. Bridgewater at Brockton
- 10 Dana Willis of W. Bridgewater and Laura Januskevich of Dorchester at Dorchester
- 16 William Adelard LaSalle of Brockton and Jacqueline Lee Nugent of Bridgewater at S. Easton
- 16 Robert J. Derocher, Jr. of W. Bridgewater and Robin Lussier of Medway, at Walpole, Ma.
- 17 David F. Sedman of Brockton and Deborah A. Souza of Brockton at Brockton
- 23 Thomas T. Perkins of Bridgewater and Claudia M. Merunka of Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater
- 23 John Joseph Grew of W. Bridgewater and Diane O'Neil of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater
- 24 Andrea A. Gordon of Brockton and Mary L. Jennette of W. Bridgewater at E. Bridgewater

- 30 William A. Goucher of W. Bridgewater and Deborah Johnson-Ollis of Brockton at E. Wareham
- 30 Dennis Robert Ohlson of W. Bridgewater and Anne Margaret Calaway of S. Weymouth at S. Weymouth

#### July

- 7 Albert J. Stevens, Jr. of W. Wareham and Mary Ellen Matta of Brockton at Taunton
- 7 William Soell, Jr. of E. Bridgewater and Kim Joanne Dotzenrod of E. Bridgewater at E. Bridgewater
- 15 William S. Deal of Bridgewater and Robyn A. Church of Boston at Brookline
- 21 Robert A. Weaver of Bridgewater and Janice L. Alden of Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater
- 21 Gergory M. Maroney of Bridgewater and Sherry Lee Anderson of Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater
- 27 Michael L. Harvey of W. Bridgewater and Kathleen M. Meals of Brockton at W. Bridgewater
- 28 Jeffrey V. Silva of N. E. and Brenda J. Duquette of N. E. at W. Bridgewater
- 29 Stephen P. Helden of Brockton and Karen Amerigian of W. Bridgewater at Brockton

#### August

- 10 Raymond L. Robicheau of W. Bridgewater and Rhonda Edington of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater
- 18 Jeffrey Joseph Shirosky of Brockton and Kimberly Ann Martin of Brockton at Brockton
- 25 Thomas J. Lamonte of W. Bridgewater and Judith D. DePue of W. Bridgewater at North Easton

#### September

- 1 Edward J. Abril of W. Bridgewater and Roxann F. Eaton of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater
- 8 Michael J. Cadigan, III of W. Bridgewater and Cynthia G. Doherty of Abington at W. Bridgewater
- 8 James Orvis Kinney of Houston, Tx and Susan Marie DiCorpo of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater
- 14 James Patrick Collins of W. Bridgewater and Paula Kirsch of W. Bridgewater at W. Barnstable
- 14 Richard Joseph Freitas of W. Bridgewater and Karen Marie Rezendes of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater
- 15 Andrew T. Halpin, III of Bridgewater and Kathleen H. Kelly of Brockton at Brockton



- 15 Richard L. Celia of Bridgewater and Susan C. Bridgwood of Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater
- 29 Gregory D. Stoye of Brockton and Lisa A. Heger of E. B. at Randolph
- 29 Brian A. Read of W. Bridgewater and Mary Nolan of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater

#### October

- 13 John Daniel Howard of W. Bridgewater and Sara Louise Wilson of W. Bridgewater in Kingston
- 20 Patrick J. Healy of Brockton and Karen L. Levis of Bridgewater at Brockton
- 26 Robert David Anderson of W. Bridgewater and Kathryn Elizabeth Chaves of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater
- 27 Steven Fongellaz of Middleboro and Denise Weatherby of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater
- 27 John W. MacPherson of W. Bridgewater and Dianna C. Canzano of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater

#### November

- 2 Paul Barnes of Brockton and Lauren Segelman of Caribou, Me. at Brockton
- 17 Lawrence Knox of Brockton and Rebecca Rossi of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater

#### December

- 1 Philip C. Quinn of W. Bridgewater and Linda M. Denning of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater
- 2 Douglas Panek of Avon and Evilda Bissonnette of W. Bridgewater at Dorchester
- 15 David Chauncey of W. Bridgewater and Rita May of Holbrook at W. Bridgewater
- 16 Philip D. MacQuinn of W. Bridgewater and Patricia Townsend of W. Bridgewater at Abington

## Deaths Recorded in 1984

### January

4	Charles Eldon Tuck	75	Bilateral Pneumonia
21	John Sisag Garabedian	68	Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease
23	Helena Thorpe Sherman	93	Broncho Pneumonia
27	Rose Marie Waite	67	Respiratory Failure

### February

2	John Joseph Charves	64	Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease
17	Frances P. Green	60	Aspiration from vomiting
19	Catherine Helen O'Brien	82	Pneumonia

### March

1	Cecil Rhodes Dunbar	81	Pneumonitis
10	Evelyn Miriam Anderson	74	Carcinoma of Colon
13	John William Crone	85	Myocardial Infarction
15	Mary Louise Swanson	68	Carcinoma of Lung
16	Robert Owens Poirier	49	Carbon Monoxide Poisoning
18	Helen Avida Pierson	91	Pneumonia
26	Mary Pagar	41	Metastatic Breast Carcenoma

### April

3	Mary Christine Siiveria	73	Myocardial Infarction
6	Elsie Watts Wilbur	80	Stroke
14	Doris Evelyn Pike	83	Respiratory Failure

### May

5	Charles G. Pettengill	72	Stroke
7	Dorothy Margaret Chauncey	75	Acute Myocardial Infarction
12	Mitchel Slapik	66	Glioma of Brian
11	John Whitney Crocker	80	Congestive Heart Failure
18	Marion Page Anderson	89	Cardiac arrest
19	Florence Mildred Robery	79	Heart Disease
20	Grace Etta Packard	88	Miltiple Strokes
25	Harriet Elaine Bettencourt	58	Lung Cancer
26	Julian S. Hughes	68	Cardiac Arrest
28	William F. Sterns	69	Metastatic Carcinoma
31	John R. Gummow	80	Cardiac Arrest

June			
3	Joseph Paganucci	77	Heart Disease
18	Roy E. Sharp	76	Massive Gastrointestinal Hem.
28	Martin Gibbons, III	22	Basilar Skull Fracture & Laceration of Brain
28	Leona Bissonnette	66	Metastatic Cancer of Ovary
July			
15	George W. Calhoun	71	Myocardial Infarction
August			
3	Henry Joseph Parenteau	76	Cardiac Arrest
4	Ronald Allen Saline	60	Gastric Cancer
29	Eugenia L. Squires	80	Bacterial Sepsis
September			
7	William Henry Pross	81	Bacterial Sepsis
13	Alelmo Joseph Bianchi	73	Carcinoma of Lung
28	Carlton Marshall Broman	73	Renal Failure
28	Eleanor Frances Waterman	68	Papillary Adino Carcinoma
October			
2	Albert E. Taylor	77	Cardiogenic Shock
24	Malcolm A. MacLean	74	Cardiogenic Shock
November			
3	Clifford J. Momaney	63	Heart Disease
5	Arthur S. Kelley	69	Subarachnoid Hemorrhage
6	John Harrison Hamilton Jr.	62	Cancer of Lung
19	Thomas Wesley Morse	18	Shotgun wound of head
26	Dan W. Heath	83	Cardiopulmonary Arrest
December			
8	Wendell L. Myshrahl	48	Cardiopulmonary Arrest
10	Russell Parker Robery	82	Myocardial Infarction
15	Lillian Madeline Reid	83	Respiratory Arrest
29	Jack Wayne Boone, II	25	Fractured Spine

## Jurors Drawn — 1984

Naomi Alexander .....	Criminal/Civil
Robert S. Alger .....	Criminal/Civil
Joseph A. Arruda .....	Criminal/Civil
Frederick A. Baker, Jr. ....	Criminal/Civil
Narciso Balboni .....	Criminal/Civil
Rosemary Bessette .....	Criminal/Civil
Dorna L. Bevis .....	Criminal/Civil
Joseph P. Calitri .....	Criminal/Civil
William J. Carmichael .....	Criminal/Civil
Barbara Cifelli .....	Criminal/Civil
Edward Dowd .....	Criminal/Civil
Edward W. Fay .....	Criminal/Civil
Edna J. Ferbert .....	Criminal/Civil
Alice M. Flint .....	Criminal/Civil
Timothy J. Fontaine .....	Criminal/Civil
Leonard W. Graf, III .....	Criminal/Civil
Winifred M. Kuczin .....	Grand Jury
Ruth E. Lonegran .....	Criminal/Civil
John F. Milan .....	Criminal/Civil
Charles E. Murphy .....	Criminal/Civil
William J. Murray .....	Grand Jury
Raymond L. Peckham .....	Criminal/Civil
Lucy T. Piver .....	Criminal/Civil
Donald A. Richardson .....	Criminal/Civil
George C. Sampson .....	Criminal/Civil
Clyde D. Sanford .....	Grand Jury
Ethel Frances Savino .....	Criminal/Civil
Victoria Ann Sheehan .....	Criminal/Civil
Patricia A. Sillars .....	Criminal/Civil
Lynn A. Sniger .....	Criminal/Civil
Doris C. Somers .....	Criminal/Civil
Alfred F. Stulpin .....	Criminal/Civil
Eleanor M. Teixeira .....	Criminal/Civil
Dale Turner .....	Criminal/Civil
Thurston E. VanDyke .....	Criminal/Civil
Rolande O. Wollaston .....	Criminal/Civil



# MISCELLANEOUS LICENSES ISSUED

## DOG LICENSES FISH & GAME LICENSES

Following monies received in Town Clerk's Office and paid to the Treasurer:

Miscellaneous	\$35,586.35
Dog Licenses Fees	1,438.75
Fish & Game Fees	189.60
Total	<hr/> \$37,214.70

Fish and Game Licenses Paid to Division of	
Fish and Wildlife	\$5,507.50
Dog Licenses Paid to Treasurer for County	2,312.00

A true copy,  
Attest: Anna E. Brown, CMC  
Town Clerk

## CIVIL DEFENSE

For the first time, your truly provided shelter for a busload of Senior Citizens from D'Arpino Village, when they lost their power during the snowstorm last year. Mrs. Reynolds, Jan Merritt, and their staff, provided hot drinks and sandwiches.

I would like to thank the Chief of Police, Ervin Lothrop, Fire Chief Charles Dyke, Don Newman, Supt. of the Highway, Leo Moroni, Chief Custodian, "Duke" Duquette, Doug Eaton, for providing the school bus, Bruce Adams who plowed a path for the school bus when even the highway plow failed to penetrate the frozen crusts of snow. If I inadvertently left anyone out, it was unintentional. The important point here is that for the first time, shelter was provided and very successfully for a number of people at the Rose L. MacDonald School.

Any family requiring shelter due to power failure, etc., may call any of the following numbers:

Civil Defense Director .....	586-1394
Police Department .....	586-2528
Fire Department .....	586-4137

Respectfully submitted,  
Michael Manugian  
Civil Defense Director

# REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

I herewith submit the Annual Report of the West Bridgewater Police Department for the year 1984:

Complaints .....	3,155
Investigations .....	6,572
Breaking & Entering .....	78
Larceny (Including by Check) .....	155
Arrests (Total) .....	564
Male Adult .....	505
Female Adult .....	19
Male Juvenile .....	37
Female Juvenile .....	3

Following is a breakdown of some of the activity listed above. This does not include traffic violations or misdemeanors.

Assault & Battery .....	34
Robberies .....	4
Breaks (Residential) .....	44
Breaks (Commercial) .....	34
Larceny More .....	92
Larceny Less .....	63
Rapes .....	0
Attempted Rapes .....	0
Indecent Assault & Battery .....	1
Operating Under the Influence .....	120
Open & Gross Lewdness .....	7
Child Abuse .....	1

## Miscellaneous

Accidents (Total) .....	405
Buildings Found Open .....	73
Assist Ambulance .....	294
Transport to Mental health Fac. ....	8
Assist Other Towns (Total) .....	231
Officers Assaulted .....	2
Fire Calls Covered .....	69
Bomb Scares .....	4
Alarms Answered .....	853
Missing Persons .....	11
Vehicles Stolen .....	38
Vehicles Recovered .....	69
Unexpected Deaths .....	5
Incapacitated Persons .....	62

Value of Property Stolen.....	387,125
Value of Property Recovered.....	399,569

### Traffic

Accidents.....	405
Fatal.....	1
Property Damage.....	405
With Injuries.....	136
Warnings to Registry .....	1,656
Non-Criminal Citations.....	1,804
Violations to Court.....	2,239

### Monies Returned to the Town of West Bridgewater - 1984

Pistol Permits Issued .....	\$ 750.00
Licenses to Sell Firearms & Ammunition.....	66.00
Firearms Identification Cards .....	190.00
Receipts for Copies of Police Reports .....	1,431.00
Parking Fines from Town of W. Bridge Parking Clerk .....	2,405.00
Fines Returned from Brockton District Court .....	92,593.00
Total Monies Turned in to Town .....	<u>\$97,435.00</u>

Once again, I would like to bring to the attention of the residents of the town of West Bridgewater the need for an addition to the Police Station. A committee has been formed to look into the plans and make any changes they feel necessary before submitting it to the Town. This committee consists of the members of the Board of Selectmen, two citizens of the town, George Hollertz and William Johnson, and two members of the Finance Committee, Robert Smith and David Meade, and myself.

Plans had been obtained from an architectural firm in 1981. The committee has met several times to update these plans. We have met with a member of the architectural firm and have made some minor changes in the plans. At the present time, we are awaiting the revised plan. We are also seeking costs for the construction and furnishing of the proposed addition. We hope to have an article in the town meeting warrant of April 1985.

As I reported last year, it is my opinion that we can no longer function properly in these overcrowded conditions. We ask for nothing elaborate. All we are asking for is an addition that will serve the needs of the police department as well as the town of West Bridgewater. The committee will no doubt provide the town with additional information prior to the town



meeting in April. I urge the citizens of West Bridgewater to look over the plans and listen to the recommendations of the committee. I sincerely hope that we can look forward to a favorable vote at the annual town meeting.

In looking over the statistics of 1984 we see a decrease in the number of assaultive crimes. Larcenies also show a decrease. The remainder of the crimes seem to have remained about the same as in the previous year. I would like to bring to your attention the fact that many crimes go unreported either for fear of retribution or lack of confidence in the courts.

In the past year we have had a great amount of interest among the officers in attending schools and seminars at no cost to the community. In my opinion, this makes for a better police force. When the men take it upon themselves to go out and put in the time to better themselves, it not only benefits the man but benefits the community as well.

I have made a request of the Board of Selectmen that our officers be made First Responders, rather than EMT's. Recertifying the men as EMT's is a great expense to the town, is very time-consuming, and leaves little funding for other training that is necessary for the officers.

I feel that it is very important that the officers attend in-service courses and seminars, some of which are required under the law. According to the Massachusetts Criminal Justice Training Council the officers must qualify with firearms twice a year. There is little money available for these items after certifying the officers as EMT's.

Instead of requiring the officers to be EMT's, I feel they should be First Responders. This would only require recertification every three years instead of every two years for EMT's. The officers must still be trained in CPR every year. I feel that since the Fire Department requires their men be EMT's and they are highly qualified in handling the ambulance, the police officers need only be First Responders as a back-up for the Fire Department personnel. This is only a request that has been made to the Board.

The monies turned in to the town by the Police Department has shown an increase of \$1,800 over last year. Over \$1,200 of this increase is in fines returned from Brockton District Court. This department shows a great deal of activity in the court complaints, with only one community in the area exceeding ours by 50 complaints. Considering that this is still a small community, it shows that the police officers are out there doing their jobs.

In closing, I would like to say that we still seek and need the cooperation of the citizens of this community in crime prevention. If you see anything that indicates that a crime is being committed, please call the Police Department immediately.



I would like to extend my sincere thanks to the Board of Selectmen, the various town departments and the police officers for their continued cooperation over the past year. I would like to thank my secretary for her willingness and untiring efforts to make the office of the Chief of Police easier. I sincerely appreciate the assistance and dedication of the police officers in making the town of West Bridgewater a better place in which to live.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ervin G. Lothrop  
*Chief of Police*

## **REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit my annual report as Chief of the Fire Department of the Town of West Bridgewater for the year 1984.

### **Personnel**

The personnel of the Fire Department consists of one (1) permanent Chief, one (1) permanent Deputy Chief, three (3) permanent Lieutenants, four (4) permanent Firefighters, all of which are Emergency Medical Technicians.

There are twenty (20) Call Firefighters, including one (1) Captain and four (4) Emergency Medical Technicians.

### **Apparatus**

Engine #1, 1978 Hendrickson/Farrar 1250 GPM Pumper; Engine #2, 1959 Seagrave/Chevrolet 750 GPM Pumper; Combination #1, 1968 Pierre-Thibault W-500 Dodge (4) wheel Drive 500 GPM Pump; Combination #2, 1945 Chevrolet 500 GPM front mounted pump. Forest Fire #1, 1967 Ford (4 wheel drive) with Skid mounted Tank/Pump; Ladder #1, 1950 American LaFrance 75' Aerial Ladder; Rescue #1, 1962 Ford Van Truck; Ambulance #1, 1984 Chevrolet/Horton; Chiefs' Car, 1979 Pontiac Wagon.

## **Statistical Report**

During the year 1984 the Fire Department responded to a total of one thousand one hundred and eight (1,108) calls. The decrease of 23, compared to last year, reflects that with two (2) men on duty, the Forest Fire Truck responded to a lesser number of Ambulance runs to transport personnel, to assist the Ambulance.

Permits and Inspections totaled: 704  
Total Ambulance Runs: 534  
Total Fire Runs: 574  
Mutual Aid to other Towns: 40  
Mutual Aid from other Towns: 51

## **Drills & Training**

Regularly monthly drills are continuing, in both Fire and Rescue tactics, as well as re-certification of First Responder Training.

## **Fire Prevention & Inspection**

Regular inspections were made at all Schools, as were supervised Fire Drills

Fire Prevention programs held at the Schools, during Fire Prevention week, continue to prove successful, and enlightening to the Students.

## **Summary**

This year saw many improvements within the Department, which have greatly assisted our efficiency. The addition of the two (2) permanent Men, The new Chassis for the Ambulance, and we are presently working on getting the newly acquired Ladder Truck in service, I am grateful for the support of all concerned for the above requirements.

In closing, I wish to thank all of the personnel of the Fire Department, all the individuals that comprise the Boards, Departments, and Committees, the Merchants and the Townspeople, for their cooperation, support, and assistance to the Fire Dept. during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Charles A. Dyke,  
*Chief*

# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR 12 MONTH FISCAL	
YEAR SINCE 1983-1984 TAX RATE WAS FIXED	\$5,928,092.84
Local Expenditures	45,655.55
State and County Charges	154,677.00
Overlay	98,347.43
GROSS AMOUNT TO BE RAISED	<u>\$6,226,772.82</u>
Total Estimated Receipts from State	\$1,725,435.00
Prior Year Overestimates - State & County	5,781.28
Local Estimated Receipts	695,400.00
Free Cash	140,995.13
Other Available Funds	25,312.40
Revenue Sharing	170,000.00
Free Cash to Reduce Tax Rate	<u>20,000.00</u>
TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS	\$2,782,923.81
NET AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION ON PROPERTY	\$3,443,849.01

## Assessed Value of Real Estate:

Land and Buildings	\$158,790,140.
Personal Property	<u>5,202,400.</u>
Total	\$163,992,810.

TAX RATE PER THOUSAND	\$21.00
School	50.97% \$10.70
General	49.03% <u>10.30</u>
	100.00% 21.00

## Exempt Property

Old Bridgewater Historical Society	\$ 134,400.
Church Societies	2,623,500.
Berwick Boys Foundation	172,500.
H. Meredith Berry Trust	138,700.
Town Hall Offices and Forestry Garage	290,400.
Highway Garage	262,000.
Fire & Police Station	431,500.
Water Department	1,173,390.
Park Department	84,900.

Cemeteries - Town Owned	66,500.
Cemeteries - Privately Owned	197,400.
Transfer Station	110,500.
Conservation Commission 261.36 acres	363,350.
All Other Town Owned Land 111.00	82,700.
School Department and Library	9,931,100.
West Bridgewater Housing Authority	1,151,600.
Comm. of Mass. Land - Div. Fish & Wildlife 1,265.78 acres	1,285,000.
Comm. of Mass. Land 237.23 acres	323,000.
Samoset Rod & Gun Club Inc.	108,800.
Wheelchair Motorcycle Association, Inc.	47,500.
BAARC	60,400.
Total Exempt Property	<u>\$19,039,140.</u>

As of Feb. 1, 1985 the following abatements and exemptions were granted for Fiscal 1985.

Clause	Number	Amount
17C Surviving Spouse ect.	21	\$ 3,675.00
18 Financial Hardship	2	804.83
22 Veterans	65	11,375.00
22A Veterans	4	1,400.00
22E Veterans	1	525.00
41B Elderly	52	26,000.00
37A Blind	4	2,000.00
41A Deferred Tax	2	1,634.84
Overvaluation	6	676.82
Total	<u>157</u>	<u>\$48,091.49</u>

**Chapter 61 Forest Management - 2 Parcels 34.37 Acres**

Credit in Assessed Valuation	\$57,500.	
Total Loss in Tax Money		\$ 1,207.50

**Chapter 61A Agricultural & Horticultural (Farm)**

131 Parcels - 2,024.66 acres		
Credit in Assessed Valuation	\$3,240,190.	
Total Loss in Tax Money		\$68,043.99

**Chapter 61B Recreational Land - 1 parcel - 51.63 acres**

Credit in Assessed Valuation	104,100.	
Total Loss in Tax Money		\$ 2,186.10



Our town continues to expand at a steady rate. Housing starts continue stable and development in our industrial area continues at a rapid rate. This Board is prepared to discuss assessing figures with developers before buildings are started and this expertise has helped with the development of the industrial area.

The Board did up-date valuations in 1984. The law requires that our valuations be certified by the Department of Revenue every three years. If the values do not meet with their approval, that department has the authority to compel us to revalue when necessary. The Townspeople should be prepared to undergo a complete revaluation program within the next two years so that our valuations will continue to be consistent with the current Full and Fair Cash Values of property.

Our Board continues its attendance at various educational courses concerning our duties. With laws constantly changing, such educational programs are most necessary to keep current with our responsibilities.

Once again, the Board expresses its thanks to the Townspeople and various Town Departments for their support and cooperation throughout the year.

Gary A. Boyd, *Chairman*  
Irving W. Puffer, *Clerk*  
DeSales J. Heath, *Member*

# REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

As Superintendent of Streets, I should like to submit my annual report for 1984.

## **Resurfacing Type I-1:**

During the past year the Highway Department removed the islands and curbs and repaired sections of the parking lot where needed at the Rose L. MacDonald School. Three sections of pipe, 35 feet long by 8" diameter were installed along the driveway to increase the drainage in the area at the school. Two head walls were built at the drainage trenches and all the sidewalks were repaired. The driveways, parking lots and sidewalks were all resurfaced at the Rose L. MacDonald School. Highland Avenue was completely resurfaced as well as a portion of Progressive Avenue for an approximate distance of 400 feet by 21 feet wide. A portion of Spring Street from Progressive Avenue to house number 449 was resurfaced. The Highway Department put a small patch on West Center Street at the Shell Station. A small patch on Purchase Street was laid in to relieve an existing water problem in the middle of the road. Sections of sidewalks on Brewster Road, Goldie Road, West Center Street and North Elm Street were repaired and resurfaced.

## **New Construction:**

The men of the Highway Department changed the radius of Howard Street at West Center Street intersection on the westerly side as well as constructed 72 feet of new sidewalk on the westerly side. The new flag pole in the center of town was prepared and erected with the help of the Eastern Edison Company. The department was responsible for putting down many berms throughout the town: 235' along Charles Street, 423' along River Street, 40' along South Street, 175' on East Center Street, 310' along Thayer Avenue, 360' along North Elm Street, 340' along Highland Avenue, 30' along Spring Street, 43' along Prospect Street, and 185' along Copeland Street.

## **Drainage:**

One new basin was constructed at the Transfer Station. There was 35 feet of 12" pipe installed on Belmont Street to tie two existing basins together. One new basin was constructed on Union Street, Roosevelt Avenue and 175 feet of pipe was installed on Roosevelt Avenue. Under old construction, the Highway Department repaired three basins on North

Elm Street, one basin on East Center Street, one basin on West Street, one basin on Sunset Avenue, one basin on Pinecrest Road, one basin on Belmont Street, one basin on Prospect Street, and one basin on Walnut Street.

### **Snow:**

The hired contractors and men of the Highway Department have done a commendable job of keeping the roads safe and passable by sanding and plowing during the winter months. I would like to thank the townspeople for their support and cooperation in keeping their vehicles off the roadway to facilitate plowing. The order of priority during a snowstorm continues to be: 1. town roads, 2. school accesses and parking areas, and 3. plowing of sidewalks.

### **Maintenance:**

The sidewalk along Howard Street was edged and swept as well as the sidewalks from Prospect Street to the center of town along West Center Street. The sidewalks throughout the town were swept with the town sidewalk sweeper. All the streets of the town were swept at least once, and in some instances, two or three times. The street sweeper has proven to be a valuable piece of equipment to the department. The Christmas trees and lights were erected by the men of the Highway Department for the season's decorations. The repairs of the fleet and equipment were done by the men of the Highway Department at a great deal of savings to the taxpayer. Continued regular maintenance was also carried out with the cleaning of catch basins, culverts and waterways throughout the town, roadside mowing, picking up litter and dead animals, repairing of berms and seeding of grass, patching of potholes, replacing and repairing signs as needed, painting of guard rails, and stripping traffic lines. The men also helped the Water Department to read meters, to help in the outside maintenance to their pumping stations, and to repair water breaks.

### **Transfer Station:**

The transfer station attendant has done an excellent job. The sticker program is still in effect and, as of January 1, 1985, the new stickers became available and I urge all townspeople to purchase their new sticker at the Town Hall. At times, due to circumstances beyond our control, the availability of SCA to pick up full and deliver empty containers has created a problem. I apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused and every effort is made by the Highway Department to assist you by placing empty trucks for your refuse.



As you can see after reading this report, the five men of the Highway Department have been extremely busy for the year 1984, making this department a successful service to the townspeople of West Bridgewater. I should like to thank the Board of Selectmen and all Town Departments and individuals for their cooperation and support.

Respectfully submitted,  
Donald E. Newman  
*Highway Superintendent*

## REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

To the residents of West Bridgewater, we, the members of the Planning Board, submit this annual report of our activities for the year 1984.

The Planning Board welcomed new members Steve Wood and Grete Bohannon and re-organized its officers on May 2, 1984 with the election of Wilfred G. Howard, as Chairman; Howard A. Anderson, as Vice Chairman; and D. Christopher Cross as Clerk. The Board noted with regret the absence from its membership of Don Asack and Bill Turner; men who had served their Town so well in prior years of leadership.

Twenty (20) meetings were held throughout the year, including one (1) public hearing and one (1) special meeting with the Board of Health. There were six (6) applications requiring Form A approval as "Subdivision Not Required" with three (3) of these applications being denied. We reviewed one (1) preliminary plan and received a definitive plan for a one (1) lot subdivision on Ellis Avenue. Recommendations were rendered to the Board of Selectmen on two (2) earth removal matters. A citizens' petition for rezoning of an area off Pleasant Street was received through the Selectmen's office and sessions were held to place the matter before the Town Meeting. Numerous discussions were also held with a potential developer on the advisability of adding a bylaw for cluster zoning.

Due to the work load on Board Members, particularly with the difficulties experienced at the Matfield Woods Mobile Home Park, the revisions to our rules and regulations for the development of subdivisions has been delayed but remains one of our top priorities for the next year.



The Planning Board again wishes to express its appreciation for the fine cooperation it has received from all Town Departments; with special recognition again to the consistent helpfulness of our Town Clerk, Mrs. Anna Brown.

Respectfully submitted,  
Wilfred G. Howard, *Chairman*  
Howard A. Anderson, *Vice Chairman*  
D. Christopher Cross, *Clerk*  
Steven Woods  
Grete Bohannon

## REPORT OF THE WATER DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

We the Commissioners and Superintendent of the Water Department of the Town of West Bridgewater, respectfully submit our annual report for the year ending December 31, 1984.

During the year a total of 269,960,650 gallons of water was pumped, which is 5,083,430 gallons more than the previous year. The greatest amount for any one day was August 8 with 1,359,000 gallons. The largest month was August with 30,838,650 gallons. The largest week was July 16 with 7,416,580 gallons.

With 269,960,650 gallons of water pumped plus 1,052,600 gallons bought from Easton, a total of 271,013,250 gallons used. Recorded rainfall was 57.0 inches at Station I, Cyr Street.

A total of 78 new services were installed in 1984. This tripled the number installed from two years ago, bringing our total number of services to 2,197.

Our Department was able to recover \$4,205.40 in insurance claims for hydrants damaged from auto accidents, allowing us to replace four and make necessary repairs to four others.

All hydrants were checked prior to cold weather and antifreeze was added where needed. Hydrant stakes were put in place so they would be readily identified when snow plowing and in the event of fire. We would appreciate residents during snow storms to shovel out the hydrants nearest them so the Fire Department will be able to locate them expediently in time of an emergency.

Station maintenance was carried out daily, after severe storms, and all power failures. A total of 419 overtime hours were spent in emergency calls and maintenance.

During the year 156 analysis of our drinking water were made by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Quality Engineering for bacterial elements. All reports were most satisfactory, showing it to be of highly acceptable quality and free from bacterial elements. Analysis of sodium concentration in our water averaged 17 milligrams per litre for 1984, allowing us to meet the state regulation of a maximum of 20 milligrams per litre.

As we come to the close of a very successful year of service, experiencing no major problems or failures of equipment, we wish to thank all our customers for expressing their faith in us, our personnel, and all town departments and personnel who so diligently did their part in making it a success. We sincerely hope, as we enter another year of service, we will be privileged to continue to serve you efficiently and to the best of our ability.

The Commissioners would also like to express their appreciation to the Water Department employees, under the leadership of our present Acting Superintendent, Richard Krugger, for their concerted efforts to maintain and up grade the water facilities and Water Department equipment. We feel that much was accomplished in 1984 and are certain that these efforts will continue in 1985.

Respectfully submitted,  
John W. Noyes, *Chairman*  
Donald Davock, *Clerk*  
Edward G. Asack, *Asst. Member*  
Richard E. Krugger,  
*Acting Superintendent*

# **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR PLYMOUTH COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE**

The Plymouth County Cooperative Extension Service's office is located on High Street, Hanson (on the grounds of Plymouth County Hospital) and can be reached by calling 293-3541 or 447-5946.

The Extension Service is the educational arm of the University of Massachusetts and the United States Department of Agriculture at the county level. This is where the name "Cooperative Extension" is derived. It is a nationwide informal educational network with more than 3,000 offices throughout the country.

For 70 years the County Extension Service has provided county residents with free, informal education, emphasizing practical, self-help solutions to everyday concerns and needs. Our program areas include:

- \*Home Economics and Family Living
- \*4-H (Youth Development)
- \*Agriculture: Food Marketing and Production
- \*Community Resource Development (C.R.D.)
- \*Food and Nutrition (Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program)

Our staff is comprised of a director, two regional agricultural specialists, a community resource development specialist, two home economists, three 4-H agents, and a split position 4-H/Home Horticulture. In addition to this, we administer a federally funded nutrition education program for families with limited food dollars. This is staffed by one supervisor and eight part-time paraprofessionals.

In Plymouth County last year 92,974 face-to-face contacts were reported by Plymouth County agents. Total enrollment for 4-H club was 768. In addition to that 12,009 youth participated in short-term or school projects. 44 lectures were presented by county agents, by requests, in the areas of financial planning, home economics, home horticulture and agriculture.

Major county-wide events that the Extension Service staff is responsible for include: 4-H Fairs, Small Farms Day (March), Home & Harvest Day (October), Fisherman's Harvest Festival (June) in addition to departmental lecture series offered in various county locations throughout the year.



Over 6,974 residents receive one of our 4 informational newsletters:

- 1) Garden Clipping - for the backyard gardener,
- 2) Kitchen Quotes - for basic nutrition facts and recipes,
- 3) Extension Post - written by county Home Economists,
- 4) 4-H Newsletter - for our 300 active club leaders.

Newsletters are also available for commodity groups, commercial growers, farmers and special interest areas. In addition to face-to-face learning situations, correspondence courses are available; last year we featured a popular microwave series.

Telephone inquiries continue to come in at a rapid rate particularly in the areas of food preparation and preservation, stain removal, home grounds and insect identification.

We continue to provide free testing of soil pH and pressure gauge accuracy testing of home canners. Free fact sheets are available in the above subject areas, along with U.S.D.A. publications for a minimal handling charge.

To learn more about the Plymouth County Extension Service contact your Town Director, Clifford Carlson or the Extension Service office.

*Trustees:*

Joseph Webby, *Chairman*

John North, *Vice-Chairman*

Eileen Rawson, *Secretary*

Matthew C. Striggles, *County Commissioner*

E. Dana Cashin

Georgia Chamberlain

Albert Cornelius

George Mullen

Saul Wyman

## **TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER**

In accordance with the General Laws of the Commonwealth, Chapter 128, the Trustees for Plymouth County Cooperative Extension Service are empowered to receive, on behalf of the County, money appropriated by any town, or by the Federal Government for carrying out the provisions of the law, under which they are appointed.

Their agents have made contacts during the past year in every community, either by public meetings, individual visits, group discussions, demonstrations, or otherwise, in attempting to assist the needs of the citizens toward helping to solve management problems, better living, and better community service, and have been ably assisted by many local volunteer leaders.



A total expense of \$100.00 was incurred during the year for the purchase of material needed in carrying on the various Extension Programs. The appropriation made by your town was used for residents of the town and expended as follows:

**Expense 1983 - 1984**

Books & Manuals Purchased for Town Officials	\$ 10.00
Town Director's Expense	—
Promotional Materials (Bulletins, Paper, Signs)	40.00
4-H School Programs	45.00
4-H and Home Economic Leader Expense	5.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$100.00</b>

**Financial Summary**

1984-1985 Appropriation (current)	\$100.00
Suggested Appropriation for 1985-1986	125.00

Respectfully submitted,  
Trustees for County Cooperative Extension Service  
Mary M. McBrady, *Director*

**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of West Bridgewater:

In compliance with the General Laws of Massachusetts we submit the report of 1984.

The Board held the following clinics: Rabies, Flu; Helicopter spraying by the Bay Colony for Mosquito Control. Although there was no Eastern Equine Encephalitis reported in West Bridgewater we felt it was in the town's best interest to spray.

The annual election of 1984 elected Marie Bagley and Ronald Broman to the Board with Edward Cruz as chairman & Marie Bagley as clerk and Ronald Broman as member.

During 1984 the Board took in the following fees as revenue:

Disposal Works (Installers).....	\$ 700.00
Food Service Establishments.....	1,210.00
General Licenses.....	200.00
Mobile Food Servers.....	100.00
Night Soil Pumpers.....	140.00
Retail Food Establishments.....	225.00
Milk & Cream.....	120.00

We wish to thank the Bridgewater Visiting Nurses Association for their assistance in our programs and their report can be found separately.

We would also like to thank all Town Departments. The Board continues to work closely with the Regional and State Agencies and their agents.

The Board is pleased to announce the general health of the town is good.

The Board meets the first and third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Edward Cruz, *Chairman*  
Ronald Broman, *Member*  
Marie Bagley, *Clerk*

## REPORT OF SELF HELP, INCORPORATED

Self Help, Inc., is Greater Brockton's and Attleboro's anti-poverty agency dedicated to improving the quality of life of limited-income individuals and families, and making all segments of the community responsive to the needs of limited-income, disadvantaged and minority needs.

During the program year ending September 30, 1984, Self Help, Inc., received a total funding of \$12,006,267 and provided 578,338 direct services to the area's limited-income individuals and families.

West Bridgewater residents received 241 direct services totaling \$91,634 during our program year.

The total funding of \$12 million does not tell the real value of human services delivered to the area as a whole. Self Help's funding enables us to mobilize an additional \$954,823 of other community resources such as PIC, Commonwealth Service Corps and local Cities and Town contributions as well as volunteers. The gross volume of Self Help, Inc., during the past program year was \$12.9 million.

Self Help currently employs 253 individuals, many of whom are limited income and minorities.

We feel that the program year 10/1/83 to 9/30/84 was a successful one for Self Help, Inc., and very helpful to our limited-income population. We thank the area's board of Selectmen, town volunteers and the Selectmen's representative, Mr. Charles Baker, to our Board of Directors for helping to make our program year a success.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ulysses G. Shelton, Jr.  
*Executive Director*

# REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen

I hereby respectfully submit my annual report for the year 1984.

Number of Dairy Cows over two years .....	236
Number of Dairy Heifers one to two years.....	83
Number of Dairy Heifers calves under one year.....	24
Number of Dairy Bulls.....	6
Number of Dairy Herds.....	6
Number of Beef Cattle.....	1
Number of Beef Herds.....	1
Number of Horses.....	75
Number of Ponies.....	18
Number of Goats.....	13
Number of Sheep .....	24
Number of Swine.....	306
Number of Swine Herds .....	3
Number of dog bites reported to	
Animal Inspector for quarantine .....	10
Delivered Specimen to State Laboratory for Rabies Test	

Respectfully submitted,  
Leo E. Moroni  
*Inspector of Animals*

# REPORT OF THE VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION, INC.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

"Only the best," has been the motto for home health care by the Bridgewater Visiting Nurse Association for their clients since 1902. This has been an ever increasing challenge for the staff and the Board of Directors. The therapeutic value of the home setting and increasing cost of hospitalization have increased our services and extended our personnel.

Mandated cuts in reimbursement for medical care have increased the financial responsibilities for the agency. Community support and agency fund raising projects help balance the budget. The one nurse staff with limited service hours of the early days has now increased to eight nurses, five home health aides and three therapists serving seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

During the 1984 fiscal year our agency provided in West Bridgewater the following services:

Nursing visits .....	1920
Physical therapy visits .....	191
Occupational therapy visits .....	13
Speech therapy visits .....	13
Medical social worker visits.....	35
Home Health Aide hours.....	2173.5

**Community services** - we teach "wellness" and health promotion in the homes of patients, at the 1984 Health Fair and at our monthly health conferences and clinics (Esther Drive, the Evening Clinic for 18 to 60 year old clients and the Child Health Clinic for infants and pre-school children). At the Town Hall two sessions are held each month for all residents of West Bridgewater.

**Contracts** - have been made with Old Colony Hospice, Massachusetts Physical Therapy, Inc., Foster Medical for sick room equipment and supplies and with Brockton Homemaker and Easter Seal for therapists and home health aides.

**Accreditation** - the agency is fully certified by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Public Health.

**Administration** - governing the agency is a volunteer Board of Directors (24) assisted by a volunteer Group of Professional Personnel, representing local business and professional men and women and consumers.



**Professional staff** - includes Ann P. Kirkpatrick, BSN, supervisor; Peggy Perry, BSN, alternate supervisor; Jeannette Irving, RN, BS, senior nurse; and the following registered professional nurses: Judy Backoff, RN, Jane Deubler, BSN, Kathy Fleisch, BSN, Hilary Hamilton, BSN, Patricia Urban, RN and Kathy Heimerdinger, MSN, Chid Health Clinic. Eleanor Binda serves as secretary-receptionist and Philip Casey, statistician - billing clerk.

**Home Health Aides** - are Ella Cameron, Loretta Caruso, Mary Cunniff, Kathy Cross and Joanne Johnson.

Respectfully submitted,  
Eleanore MacCurdy  
*President*

## **REPORT OF THE INUDSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCING AUTHORITY**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of West Bridgewater:

Of three inquiries received, only one revenue bond was applied for and issued by the West Bridgewater IDFA during 1984.

Turnpike Realty Trust received a \$450,000 bond for the construction of a building on Turnpike Street to be owned by the borrower and used by The Wrentham Company of New England, Inc. in the warehousing and distribution of plumbing products. The firm will be relocating its sales and marketing division from its Easton site to the new facility.

We wish at this time to recognize and thank our original chairman, Ray Chace, for his many years of dedicated service promoting the town in the finest, professional manner.

Respectfully submitted,  
Madelyn T. Burke, *Chairman*  
Donald L. McIver  
Joseph L. McMorrow  
Robert L. Smith  
Carl E. Turner

# REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen

I hereby submit the annual report of the Building Inspector for the year 1984.

16	Single family dwellings	\$1,020,000.00
49	Mobile homes	1,477,295.00
88	Additions and alterations	450,073.00
22	Business permits	2,654,508.00
18	Sign permits	10,295.00
22	Pool permits	81,350.00
2	Demolition permits	-----

Fees paid to town based on estimated cost of construction:  
\$17,930.60

I assumed the building inspector's position on July 1st, 1984. Since that time I have made 137 construction inspections.

Fire Chief, Charles Dyke and myself have inspected wood and coal stove installations. Information is available from the Building Inspector's office for the proper installation method. The Fire Chief or I may be contacted to inspect the wood or coal stove installations. The schools were inspected by the Fire Chief and I prior to the openings.

I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, Fire Chief, co-workers and the citizens of this town for the cooperation given to me.

Respectfully submitted,  
Robert J. Robichaud,  
*Building Inspector*

**REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I respectfully submit my annual report as the Inspector of Plumbing for the year 1984.

There were 166 plumbing applications filed for plumbing permits.

There were 254 plumbing inspections made in the following types of buildings:

New Dwellings .....	31
Old Dwellings .....	21
Commercial Buildings.....	16
Public Buildings.....	1
Trailers.....	50

There were 49 water heaters installed.

The Massachusetts State Plumbing Code is used as a basis for plumbing installations.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joseph F. Donovan  
*Inspector of Plumbing*

**REPORT OF THE  
INSPECTOR OF GASFITTING**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby respectfully submit my annual report for the year 1984.

There were 75 Gas applications filed for gasfitting permits for the year.

There were 93 gasfitting inspections made in the following types of buildings.

New Dwellings .....	6
Old Dwellings .....	47
Commercial Buildings.....	18
Public buildings .....	1

There were 23 gas appliances installed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joseph F. Donovan  
*Inspector of Gasfitting*

# REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF WIRES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen

I respectfully submit my report as Inspector of Wires, for the year of 1984.

Electric Services & Meters .....	179
Rough Wires .....	60
Electric Ranges .....	15
Electric Dryers .....	9
Water Heaters .....	27
Construction Services .....	14
Oil Burners .....	11
Add Outlets .....	15
Pools .....	17
Not Accepted .....	5
Miscellaneous .....	7
Fire Alarms .....	4
Locked Premises .....	2
Electric Heat .....	5
Fire Calls .....	2
Finals .....	12

The latest edition of the Massachusetts State Electrical Code was used as a basis for all inspections, with no special rules.

My thanks to the Board of Selectmen, the Building Inspector and the Town Clerks office for all the assistance afforded this office.

Respectfully submitted,  
Albert M. Greiner  
*Inspector of Wires*



# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,

The Board of Appeals respectfully submits its Annual Report for the year 1984.

During 1984 the Board of Appeals held (16) sixteen Public Hearings regarding requests for variances or special permits. Six (6) requests dealt with special permits, eight (8) requests were for variances dealing with construction of buildings and subdivision of land, and two (2) requests dealt with signs being larger than those allowed in their particular zones.

The results of those hearings are as follows. Thirteen (13) applications were granted, two (2) were denied, and one (1) was withdrawn with no decision.

During the year the Board regretfully accepted the resignation of Joseph Kamesse as an alternate member.

Respectfully submitted,  
William E. Turner, Jr., *Chairman*  
Harry Pierson, Jr., *Vice Chairman*  
Henry Podlsky  
George Merritt  
Harry Ketler  
James Wolfsberg

## REPORT OF THE SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen

The following is the report of the Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year of 1984.

Scales under 10 pounds.....	17
Scales under 100 pounds.....	27
Scales over 100 pounds.....	11
Scales over 10,000 pounds.....	2
Gasoline pumps.....	85
Weights.....	43
Vehicle Tanks.....	2
Package reweighing including cord wood.....	217
Unit Pricing.....	47
Returned in Fees to Town.....	607.60

By vote at Town Meeting 1984 the fees will in most cases be doubled beginning in 1985.

Respectfully submitted,  
Warren A. Turner  
*Sealer of Weights and Measures*

# REPORT OF THE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

This year the Board of Trustees has updated the Library's policy on hiring and personnel. Mr. Edson has reviewed the physical inventory of the Library.

We have given much time to the state's various proposals for computerized interlibrary loan service. Currently we are, along with the other two Bridgewater, attached to the nation's first information network center, the result of the first Library Service and Construction grant ever received by West Bridgewater.

The appearance of the Library has been improved, we believe, by the employment of a professional cleaning service (at less expense than a custodian) and by physical rearrangements to allow a little more open space in the center of the room. This "space," however, has been achieved through storage of less frequently circulated holdings in temporary space at Spring Street School, by drastic weeding of the collection, and by eliminating some needed tables and chairs.

We have been fortunate in receiving the service of a work-study student from U MASS for several months, as well as many hours of volunteer work. We wish to thank the Friends of the Library for this help and for their contribution of funds for needed equipment. We also thank the Selectmen and the School Department for their support. Such support is testimony to the importance of a library to a community.

The critical condition remains, however, that although our Director and her depleted staff have worked valiantly to maintain the basic services of circulation and reference, we no longer have a children's program, sufficient open hours, proper services to the elderly, nor a satisfactory supply of new publications. The Trustees recognize that in order to fulfill our obligation to the patrons of the West Bridgewater Public Library, current and future, we must address these issues of depleted staff, collection, program, and room. As the first step toward restoration of our library service to at least its former level, we have committed ourselves to a realistic expansion of the facility.

Respectfully submitted,  
Wayne Legge, *Chairman*  
Helen Millet, *Secretary*  
Bruce Edson  
James Grandfield  
Michael Manugian  
Barbara Perkins

# REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

To the Trustees of the Public Library:

This is my tenth and final annual report. Rather than discussing the immediately preceding year, I will review the major changes and trends which have occurred during my tenure as Library Director.

The years 1974 through 1980 were years of progress and program expansion. In 1974 the Library employed 5.8 staff members and was open for 49 hours each week. During those years, we offered a full range of Children's Programs, expanded Interlibrary Loan, Reference and Reader Services and coordinated several Library outreach programs. We became a dynamic and viable asset to the community.

From 1981 through 1984, the Library has experienced an alarming regression. The implementation of Proposition 2½ crippled this Library. Staffing and hours of service were cut by 50%. All special services and children's programs were eliminated. None of the programs which were eliminated during the initial budget cuts have been restored. It is essential that staff positions and hours of service be reinstated if West Bridgewater is to have an adequate Public Library.

Many thanks to those who have been supportive of the Library over the years. Special thanks to Marilyn Raleigh for her fourteen years of dedication to the Library, to Mariann Lorrain for her work with the "Friends," and to Ethel Fisher, Helen Millet, and Arthur Chaves for their advice and encouragement.

I wish you success in all phases of Library expansion.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jane P. Ouder Kirk, *M.L.S.*



# REPORT OF THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Committee and Staff members of the 1984 Summer Recreation Program would like to report that the 1984 summer program was a rewarding experience for all involved. Under the direction of Pat Kelley and Assistant Evelyn Jollymore, the young children of West Bridgewater were offered a diversified program with something of interest for all youngsters.

Any child in grades one thru eight was able to participate in the daily activities held at the Howard School. This year's program began on July 9th. and continued daily, Monday thru Friday, rain or shine, for six weeks ending August 17th.

Many well organized, and well supervised activities were offered to the children, with the assistance of our Playground Aides, veteran Doreen Langer, Tony Vallon and Rosemary Bessette.

At least twice a week we worked on Arts and Crafts. During the summer many interesting and creative projects were completed.

Once a week we went on a Field Trip, the most popular last summer being the Cape Cod Canal Cruise and our annual trip to Lincoln Park. We often had special events planned like Field Days and Scavenger Hunts to help fill in the time and maintain the interest of all.

The Recreation Committee and its Staff are looking forward to another successful summer program in 1985, only with the continued support and cooperation of the townspeople, the Police and School Departments and the children of West Bridgewater will this be possible.

Thanks to everyone who has made our summers so successful.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary-Lou Jenness

Dianna Jollymore

Marie Connelly

Joseph Gareri

Sandra Kominsky



# REPORT OF THE FORESTRY AND PARKS DEPARTMENT

To the Citizens of West Bridgewater:

The Forestry and Parks Department activities for the year 1984 have generally gone along in the order of previous years.

Tree removal stands out as foremost in our operation, there having been 170 trees removed including Dutch Elm diseased trees. The majority of these removals were topped out by hired equipment because of the proximity of utility wires or of being over private property and in some cases we were assisted with aid from the Edison and Telephone Companies.

All street trees received one foliar spray and in some cases, two sprays during the growing season for the control of a long list of insect pests and tree diseases under the control of this department. The department continued to receive numerous calls to control hornets and wasps; and the spraying of Poison Ivy, which were answered and controlled. Calls for honey bee swarms were referred to bee keepers who took the swarms for their hives.

War Memorial Park, 13 town greens and 6 town-owned cemeteries were regularly mowed, fertilized and trimmed during the growing season. Due to vandalism, many of the cedar rail fences at the park were replaced as needed with new rails. One bridge was replaced and repair work on the two dams were completed.

Tree planting was carried out during the Spring and Fall planting seasons. A total of 106 trees were planted, staked and mulched at sites throughout the town where trees had been removed or by requests from residents who had no shade trees in areas fronting town roads.

Six miles of brush along the roadsides were cut and chipped up. Blind corners were eliminated by brush cutting and trimming low-hanging branches. Chips for mulching are available by homeowners upon request to this department at no cost. However, there is a charge to residents for cut and split wood delivered from the tree removal program.

Mosquito aerial spraying, funded by the Board of Health and supervised by this department, was accomplished during the summer months for control of the adult mosquito.

The care of existing shade trees by pruning, cabling, tree surgery, feeding, co-operative work with the Highway Department on snow removal and maintenance of our equipment are just a few of the several other tasks which are all a part of this department's obligations to the townspeople. All mechanical equipment of this department is in good condition due to the periodic maintenance and repairs that are performed by this department's workers.

It is with sincerity that I wish to thank my able employees for their loyalty and pride in their work. Also, my thanks to all other departments, town officials and townspeople for their understanding, assistance, co-operation and support in my work during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Thomas B. MacQuinn  
*Tree Warden*

## REPORT OF THE COUNCIL ON AGING

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

We have just completed our fourth year of operation in the Senior Center quarters located in the former Spring Street School.

Our three-day a week nutrition program has continued under the School Lunch Program and the Council of Aging sponsorship. We are most grateful to Dr. Ronald Gerhart, Superintendent, and Mrs. Beverly Reynolds, School Lunch Director for their support in enabling this program to be on-going and a vital part of our programming for senior citizens. Their efforts and that of the school lunch staff are very well received by our senior lunch participants.

Our provision of services to all West Bridgewater seniors who request them continues to be enlarged upon. We provide transportation for shopping, medical, hospital visits and appointments, barber and beauty shops run for home bound, prescription, routine banking transaction as well as transportation for home bound and disabled seniors to the senior center for the lunch program, recreational beano, social activities and programs. Also offered is telephone reassurance, friendly visiting, processing of applications for fuel assistance, gas discounts, etc., health and flu clinics, blood pressures, information and referral for problems, special chore,

home maker, meals on wheels services, legal counsel opportunities, educational programs, day trips, respite care, crisis intervention, familiar support in chronic or serious illness situations, and advocacy in requested areas of concern to seniors. Also held at the senior center on a monthly basis is The West Bridgewater Senior Citizens Club and Friends of J.O.Y. (Just Older Youth) business and social meetings. On Friday evenings, a recent addition to the programs available to all townspeople are meetings of AA (Alcoholic Anonymous) and to soon begin an Alzheimer's Support group for group support and information for families dealing with this difficult and often tragic disease.

We are very proud of our minibus program which enables West Bridgewater seniors who are either home bound due to lack of transportation or isolation, handicap either emotional or physical, and other seniors on a space available basis to experience the same opportunities for enjoyment and socialization as others. A consortium of six communities of which West Bridgewater is the lead member of the consortium participate in this program. The other towns are Whitman, East Bridgewater, Avon, Halifax, and Hanson. The bus is available to each community every sixth day for trips. The consortium concept was initiated by West Bridgewater which applied for and received funds to operate the vehicle through various grants. The minibus, for programming purposes is legally owned by Old Colony Elderly Services, Inc. which helps with routing and reporting to the Dept. of transportation, fund raising, and support and statistical advice.

The transportation ridership is extremely high. We seldom have an empty seat on any our trips. Any senior resident of the town who would like to participate should contact the senior center office. The minibus is specially equipped for the wheel chair bound and the driver is a qualified person in dealing with handicapped persons as well as qualified in CPR and first aid.

There are so many people who deserve more than thank yous for their hard work on behalf of those seniors who have needed help or assistance either from time to time or on an ongoing basis. Some of our "angels" are: Eleanor and Goerge Lindsay, Eileen Beane, Kathleen V. Fenstermaker, Samuel Feinberg, Beth Burgess, Marjorie MacDonald, George McGuire, John Rosnell, Page Conant, Blanche and Kenneth Hollis, Gordon Ross, John and Lillian Large, Dorothy Holmgren, Ann and Arthur Glanuzzio, Alphee Surrence, Frank Donahue, David Cohen, Judith Kinney, Robert Berry and others who donate time on a more limited basis. Their efforts are beyond price. It is a pleasure to work with each and every one.



We invite you to drop in and share a cup of coffee, Come, learn what we are, what we do, and most important how you can help. Our next step in program development will be an in-depth study of present programs and services, our goals, short and long term, to see what direction your Council on Aging will be going next. We invite your comments and active participation in this pilgrimage.

Respectfully submitted,  
Beth Burgess, *Chairman*  
Marjorie MacDonald, *Vice Chairman*  
Winnifred Manzer, *Treasurer*  
Kathleen V. Fenstermaker, *Secretary*  
George McGuire  
Kenneth Hollis  
David Cohen  
Lloyd Sears  
Virginia Michael  
Eleanor Lindsay  
Samuel Feinberg  
Millicent Lucier

## REPORT OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Last November I completed the twelfth year of occupancy for Esther Drive.

Although the Housing Authority has not as yet been able to receive a grant for additional housing, we were successful in receiving funding for modernization of existing facilities.

Our modernization grant totaled \$64,667 to be received in two phases. The first phase, totaling \$27,213.45 will be used to repair the septic system and steel work of the building exteriors.

The second phase will be used to repair pavements, walkways and sidewalks; enclose entrance ways; repair cement work and to improve our lighting system to reduce our energy costs.

Our waiting list has dwindled, mostly because our turn-over is such that the wait is so long, applicants have gone elsewhere. Currently we have seven (7) West Bridgewater residents on our list; four (4) non-residents with West Bridgewater children; five (5) on our handicapped list and twenty-one (21) out-of-town applicants for a total of thirty-seven (37). It is



discouraging to the Authority not to be able to give the elderly affordable housing and also discouraging to the applicants who wish to live in West Bridgewater and not leave the town they have lived in all their lives.

Our sincere thanks once again to the Board of Selectmen, Police and Fire Departments, and other Town departments for their support over the years.

A "thank you" also to the Bridgewater Visiting Nurse Association who hold their blood pressure clinic at Esther Drive monthly for all senior citizens of the town. The Council-on-Aging must also receive grateful thanks for the sponsoring of volunteers to transport those residents who have no means of getting to the doctor, bank, drug store, etc.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dorothy A. Holmgren, *Secretary*  
Albert M. Greiner, *Chairman*  
Richard C. Williams  
Carl R. Bystrom  
Robert L. Kellie  
Marion H. Bartell, *State member*

## REPORT OF THE SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Southeastern Regional School District is represented from the Town of West Bridgewater by Eugene Kostecki. There are eight towns and the City of Brockton involved in this regional effort which provides students with occupational training leading directly to jobs.

There are 24 occupational programs offered at the high school level. The high school enrollment is 1,267. There are 66 occupational programs offered at the post-secondary level; enrollment is 143. A total of 1,410 students attend the day program at Southeastern.

Students from the participating communities number as follows:

Brockton	727	Norton	63
East Bridgewater	84	Sharon	55
Easton	101	Stoughton	167
Foxborough	72	West Bridgewater	50
Mansfield	90	Out of District	1

The high school job placement program placed 92% of the 1984 graduating class. Job locating and/or placement is available to past graduates as well as to each graduating class. The Technical Institute placement program enjoyed a 98% placement of the students graduating from all programs in the school year 1983-1984. Over the last five years, placement at the Technical Institute has been 97.2%.

### **New Representative Elected from Stoughton**

Mr. Charles D. Homer was elected to represent the town of Stoughton on the Regional School District Committee. Mr. Homer brings with him a great deal of interest and participation in school activities. He had attended Southeastern Regional many years ago and is currently a teacher in the Stoughton school system. It is gratifying to have people of Mr. Homer's caliber serving the school district.

### **Recognition of Perfect Attendance**

During the past school year two students who had perfect attendance records throughout their four year experience at Southeastern were given recognition by the School Committee. The students were Sean Jackman of Stoughton and Joseph St. George of West Bridgewater.

### **Superintendent Announced Retirement Plans**

Mr. Graves, who has been the Superintendent of the Southeastern School District since its inception, announced his plans for retirement after more than 20 years service with the school district. Mr. Graves retirement will be effective as of December 31, 1985.

### **Business Manager Announces Retirement**

Mrs. Evelyn Buschenfeldt, who has been with the School District for over 20 years, retires at the end of March 1985. She has served the school district in various positions of leadership and responsibility. Her successor in the Business Manager's position is Miss Patricia Cheromcka who resides in the town of West Bridgewater.

Nearly 130 students were participants in the cooperative work program during the 1983-1984 school year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Eugene Kostecki,  
*School Committee Member*

# REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and citizens of West Bridgewater:

The West Bridgewater Conservation Commission respectfully submits our annual report.

The year 1984 has been an extremely active year for the Commission, with much of our efforts centering on Business and Industrial development and a small percentage on residential development.

The Conservation Commission held 23 regularly scheduled meetings and 2 special meetings called by the Chairman.

The Commission received 16 Notices of Intent, held 19 Public Hearings and in addition 3 continuations to Public Hearings which resulted in our issuing 16 Orders of Conditions.

The Conservation Commission issued 2 Orders of Condition of Denial for lack of information.

The Department of Environmental Quality Engineering Superceeded 2 Orders of Conditions issued by the Commission installing more stringent safe guards on one Order and Denying the Other.

The Conservation Commission issued 3 Determinations of Applicability in addition to 1 Extension of Orders of Conditions, 2 Certificates of Compliance and 4 Enforcement Orders.

In addition to the formal administration of Wetlands Protection Act, the Commission conducted many site visits and investigation of complaints resulting in a large amount of correspondence.

Of all the projects administered in 1984, Somerville Lumber Company on Manley Street was the most outstanding in scope and complexity.

What started out to be an average project soon became a complex puzzle. However, after many hours of Hearings and site visits in addition to special meetings and consultations the pieces to the puzzle came into place. Somerville Lumber Co., their Developer and Design Engineer can be proud of their accomplishment as this Commisison is of having been instrumental in a project of this scope.



It is not the duty of the Conservation Commission nor the wish to discourage development within the Town. However, it is our duty to oversee that portion of a project under our jurisdiction to insure that our natural resources are protected under the guidelines of the Wetlands Protection Act (Chapter 131 Section 40) of the Massachusetts General Laws.

If the protection is not put into place in the early stages of development of a project much damage could be done that could not be repaired. With repetition of this type of thinking it would soon strike home in a very near future.

In closing the Conservation Commission would like to extend its appreciation to the Board of Selectmen, Planning Board, Board of Health and Building Inspector. Also, others within the Town Hall for their help and cooperation in the past year making a job more pleasant.

Respectfully submitted,  
John Dacey, *Chairman*  
Howard Hayward, *Vice Chairman*  
Linda Greene, *Clerk*  
Hugh Hurley  
Thomas Driscoll  
Joseph Souza  
Judith Kinney  
West Bridgewater Conservation Commission

## **REPORT OF THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

This year, the Industrial Development Commission was given a budget to work with by Town Meeting. The Commission made a concerted effort through a mailing to raise interest of industrial developers from eastern Massachusetts to come to West Bridgewater. We used the slogan that "West Bridgewater is a vocation whose time has come."

Respectfully submitted,  
Donald L. MacIver  
George V. Hollertz, Jr.  
Leon Beaulieu  
Frank Miller  
William E. Turner, Jr.



# REPORT OF THE OFFICE OF VETERAN'S SERVICES

To the Board of Selectmen:

Fifty two veterans and dependents were assisted by Veteran Services this year. Fourteen received financial and medical aid. Thirty eight were assisted in various areas such as applying for pensions, agent orange benefits, V.A. Medical Center assistance, burial in Bourne National Cemetery and answering annual V.A. Income Questionnaires.

Two workmens' compensation claims were settled in the amount of \$1,084.00 and refunds in the amount of \$1,108.00 from assignment cases and social security disability cases. All monies were returned to the town treasurer.

Two V.A. Pensions and one Widow's Pension were filed with the Veterans Administration Regional office and all three were awarded monthly benefits.

Beginning July 1, 1984 all benefits paid to veterans under the guidelines of Chapter 115 will be reimbursed by the state at the rate of 75% in lieu of the present 50%. This means the town will benefit by being reimbursed 25% more by the state for financial and medical assistance given veterans.

Once again this office provided the Office of the Commission of Veterans Services with a list of names from the Department of Public Welfare and the Department of Employment Security, are to be forwarded to the Department of Revenue to be checked against lists of all wages paid to residents of Massachusetts. The purpose of this review is the check the accuracy of information provided by recipients of veterans' benefits and to take appropriate action against those persons who are in receipt of veteran's benefits to which they are not entitled.

Respectfully submitted,  
Armen Amerigian,  
*Veterans Agent*

## **REPORT OF THE TOWN COUNSEL**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The following is a report of the nature and the status of the litigation in which the Town of West Bridgewater is involved as of the date of this report:

**Cambridge Animal Aid, Inc.**

**v.**

**Plymouth County Commissioners and the Town**

In October 1982, the Plymouth County Commissioners voted to revoke the kennel license which had been issued by the Town to Cambridge Animal Aid, Inc., for the premises at 279 Pleasant Street in West Bridgewater. The license was revoked because the licensee had failed to comply with regulations issued by the County Commissioners. The licensee appealed such revocation to the Brockton District Court. The Court, after a hearing, affirmed the action of the County Commissioners in revoking the license. The licensee filed a motion for a new trial which was denied by the Court. The licensee then appealed to the Court's decision to the Appellate Division of the District Court Department, and the appeal is still pending.

**Francis M. Silvia et al**

**v.**

**Building Inspector of Town of West Bridgewater  
and Town of West Bridgewater**

This action was initially brought by the plaintiffs in the Plymouth County Superior Court in August of 1982 against the Building Inspector of the Town and the Town itself to enjoin the Town from allegedly interfering with the plaintiffs' use of their land and to obtain damages for such alleged interference. The Town filed a counterclaim against the plaintiffs. In April 1984, the plaintiffs amended their complaint to add the following persons as additional defendants: Doris Haight and Michael Manugian, former Selectmen, Charles H. Johnson, Eldon F. Moreira and Charles A. Pickering, the current Selectmen, Ervin G. Lothrop, Chief of Police, and J. Joseph Lydon, former Town Counsel. The amended complaint seeks substantial damages against said defendants for alleged violations of the plaintiffs civil rights. This matter is still pending in Court.

**Ronald A. Martini**

**v.**

**Town of West Bridgewater et al**

This action was brought in January 1981 by the Plymouth County Superior Court by the plaintiff against the Town of West Bridgewater, the City of Brockton and eight (8) other Towns. The plaintiff sustained personal injuries in an automobile accident involving a motor vehicle being operated by a participant in the Brockton Manpower Consortium (Brockton CETA), which is a consortium consisting of nine (9) towns and the City of Brockton. The plaintiff claims that the operator of the other vehicle caused the accident, that as a participant in the CETA program he is a municipal employee, and that all the municipalities who participate in CETA are responsible for the damages he sustained. This matter is still pending in Court.

**Lawrence W. Wardwell et al**

**v.**

**Zoning Board of Appeals et al**

This is an appeal by the plaintiffs of a decision of the Zoning Board of Appeals granting a variance to the owners of the Canoe Club for the construction of a gazebo on its property. This case is scheduled for trial in the Plymouth Superior Court in April 1985.

**Paul L. Lamoureux**

**v.**

**Doris Haight, Michael Manugian, Charles H. Johnson,  
Charles A. Pickering, Eldon F. Moreira, Ervin G. Lothrop  
and J. Joseph Lydon**

This is an action brought by Paul L. Lamoureux, a former police officer of the Town, against Doris Haight and Michael Manugian, former Selectmen, Charles H. Johnson, Eldon F. Moreira and Charles A. Pickering, the current Selectmen, and Ervin G. Lothrop, Chief of Police, and J. Joseph Lydon, the former Town Counsel. The complaint alleges that the defendants violated the civil rights of the plaintiff in the course of their conduct as Town officials with him in connection with an injury he sustained while serving as a police officer and seeks substantial damages for such alleged violations. This matter is pending in Court.

**Plymouth Street Auto Parks, Inc.**

**v.**

**Board of Selectmen**



This is a complaint brought in the Plymouth County Superior Court by the plaintiff appealing the decision of the Board of Selectmen which revoked its Class 2 license to engage in the business of buying and selling second hand motor vehicles. This case is scheduled for trial in March 1985.

**Board of Health of Town of West Bridgewater**

**vs.**

**Thomas Donahue, Ralph J. Civitarese and Richard J. Civitarese,  
Trustee of American Manufacture Home Trust**

In January 1985, the Board of Health brought a complaint in the Plymouth County Superior Court to enjoin the defendants from locating and installing any additional mobile homes at the Matfield Woods Mobile Home Park without the written authorization of the Board of Health. The Board also sought an injunction prohibiting the defendants from conveying to a third party a certain parcel of land consisting of 28.515 acres, which is included in the original site development plan for said Mobile Home Park, without the written authorization of the Planning Board and the Board of Health. Such injunctions were issued by the Court on February 4, 1985. The Board's complaint also requests the court to order the defendants, after a hearing on the merits, to comply with the licensing requirements for mobile home parks set forth in Chapter 140 of the Massachusetts General Laws, to comply with the provisions of the Town's Mobile Home Park By-Law, and to comply with the provisions of a written Agreement between the Planning Board and the defendants, dated November 22, 1982. A hearing on the merits of this complaint will possibly be held in April 1985.

**Board of Selectmen**

**v.**

**Robert R. May and Doris G. May**

In January 1985, the Board of Selectmen brought a complaint in the Plymouth County Superior Court to enjoin the defendants from conducting at their premises at 104 Turnpike Street any business involving the buying and selling of second hand motor vehicles, the buying of second hand motor vehicles for the purpose of remodeling, taking apart or rebuilding the same, the buying and selling parts of second hand motor vehicles and tires, and assembling second hand motor vehicle parts, and from storing junk automobiles on said premises. A preliminary injunction was issued by the Court on February 13, 1985, enjoining and restraining the defendants from conducting any such activities. A hearing on the merits of this case is scheduled for April 1985.

Respectfully submitted,

John P. Lee  
*Town Counsel*



## **REPORT OF THE DATA PROCESSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

We, the members of the Data Processing Advisory Committee, respectfully submit the following report for 1984.

The members of the committee continue to provide assistance to the Town departments in reviewing proposals for providing Data Processing services as requested throughout the year.

We are currently working with the Plymouth County Treasurers office on a proposal to provide various Data Processing services for the Town. These service would include Payroll, Accounting and utility billing.

Respectfully submitted  
Data Processing Advisory Committee  
William R. Brown, Jr.  
Lawrence Conant  
Everett B. Tufts, Jr.

## **REPORT OF THE BY-LAW STUDY COMMITTEE**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The codification of the town by-laws is continuing. It is expected that they will be completed sometime this year and that the committee will be able to begin a serious study of improvements that can be made.

Respectfully submitted,  
Paul Colandrea  
Charles A. Pickering  
Grete Bohannon  
Stewart Young  
Donald Kennedy

## REPORT OF THE ARTS LOTTERY COUNCIL

The West Bridgewater Arts Lottery Council presently consists of Patrick Bell, Lorraine A. Piver, Paul R. Brown, Donald A. Adams, Cheryl A. Adams (Treasurer) and Joseph F. Linehan (Secretary). The resignation of Roland L. Nadeau, who had served as Chairman of the Council since its inception, and of William Lyons were received with regret and appreciation for their service.

The Council held several meetings during the year. Applications for grants are available at the Town Clerk's office and at the Library. Twice each year, on January first and July first, funds are allocated to local Arts Councils by a local aid formula from the State Arts Lottery Funds. Individuals or groups may submit applications for projects related to the arts to the local arts council. The council holds regular meetings at which time the applications are reviewed and voted upon. The local council must submit those applications which it has approved to the Massachusetts Arts Lottery Council no later than May first for the July funding cycle and no later than November first for the January cycle.

During 1984 several projects which had been approved and funded in 1984 were completed. In May and November the Council submitted applications for a variety of projects to the State Council for approval.

Funds for additional sketches of historic buildings and places, for re-printing of historical books and documents, trips by local art students to Boston art galleries and museums, for tuition for an art course, and for theatrical programs for school children were requested.

Meetings of the Council are open to all interested persons.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joseph F. Linehan, *Secretary*

# REPORT OF THE PLYMOUTH COUNTY MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT

The Commissioners of the Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project are pleased to submit the following report of our activities during 1984.

The Project is a special district created by the State Legislature in 1957, and is now composed of 21 Plymouth County towns, the City of Brockton, and the Town of Cohasset in Norfolk County. The Project is a regional response to a regional problem and provides a way of organizing specialized equipment, Specially trained employees, and mosquito control professionals into a single agency with a broad geographical area of responsibility. The Project continues to provide environmentally sound mosquito control at no increase in per capita cost.

1984 was a year of transition. Gary Benzon, Superintendent of the Project for nearly four years, left to pursue a PhD at North Carolina State University. He was replaced by Dr. Kenneth Ludlam, a native bay stater formerly associated with Maryland mosquito control programs; who is aided by Assistant Superintendent Michael King, a Delaware mosquito control veteran; and by an able, experienced, and knowledgeable staff of foremen, inspectors, and support personnel.

1984 was also a year of repeat challenges. The Project was again tested by an increased threat of the mosquito transmitted disease Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE). The Project responded by increasing the level of control and by targeting areas of highest risk. Additional costs for overtime and insecticide are to be funded by a special appropriation and not charged to member towns. The recurrent problem of EEE in southeastern Massachusetts has led to increased cooperation between the Project and the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

1984's new challenges included the addition of the Town of Marshfield, which became part of the Project in July. Control activities were targeted at the adult mosquitoes until late in the season when most of the larval development sites were finally catalogued. More emphasis on control of the mosquitoes in the larval stage can be expected in this town next year.

Again this year with the aid of a computer the figures specific to the Town of West Bridgewater are given below. While mosquitoes do not respect town lines the information given below does provide a tally of the activities which have had the greatest impact on the health and comfort of West Bridgewater residents.



1. **Insecticide Application.** 18,688 acres were treated using truck mounted sprayers for control of adult mosquitoes. More than one application was made to the same site if mosquitoes reinvaded the area. The first treatments were made in May and the last in September. The use of quiet electric sprayers has ended completely complaints about noise.

Our greatest effort has been targeted at mosquitoes in the larval stage, which can be found in woodland pools, swamps, marshes, and other standing water areas. Inspectors continually gather data on these sites and treat with highly specific larvicides when immature mosquitoes are present. Last year a total of 127 inspections were made to 46 catalogued breeding sites totalling 175 acres.

1A. **Aerial Application.** Larviciding woodland swamps by airplane before the leaves come out on the trees can be very effective. In West Bridgewater this year we aerially larvicided 470 acres.

Finally, a total of 240 treatments were made to storm sewer catch basins to prevent mosquito production in this man made habitat.

We encourage citizens or municipal officials to call our office for information about mosquitoes, mosquito-borne diseases, control practices, or any other matters of concern.

Respectfully submitted,  
Frank E. Parris, *Chairman*  
Carolyn Brennan, *Secretary*  
William J. Mara  
G. Ward Stetson  
Richard E. Krugger, Sr.

## REPORT OF THE OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and residents of the Town of West Bridgewater.

As your representatives to the Old Colony Planning Council we are pleased to present this report of the Council's activities for 1984.

During the year, the work of the Council was concentrated in three major program areas: Economic and Community Development; Transportation and Transit Planning; and, Area Agency on Aging Planning including the coordination and implementation of elder service programs.



The Economic Development activities of the Council involved the preparation of the annual update of the Overall Economic Development Program report which includes a listing of local capital improvements important to economic growth and development. The Council also acts on Industrial Revenue Bond applications which are initiated within the planning district to assist firms in financing new or expanded facilities. In 1984 the Council acted upon 20 Industrial Revenue applications totalling over 41 million dollars for area businesses. The total compared favorably with the 24 million dollars approved in 1983. The towns of Plymouth and Stoughton were the area leaders under the program with over 11 million dollars of financing under the program in each community. The communities benefiting under the program were as follows: Avon - \$6,500,000; Brockton - \$5,355,000; Easton - \$5,425,000; Pembroke - \$1,400,000; Plymouth - \$11,241,000; Stoughton - \$11,015,000; and West Bridgewater - \$450,000.

Other Economic Development activities of the Council included the coordination of regional development activities through the Overall Economic Development Committee; job creation through business development; promotion of labor forces training; and, infrastructure improvements. With respect to the latter, the Council prepared a preliminary survey of the area's infrastructure needs for the Massachusetts Institute of Technology to be included in a study of the statewide needs for the Joint Economic Committee of Congress.

The Community Development activities of the Council included assisting the Town of Avon in obtaining a \$475,000 Community Development Block Grant to extend water service to the proposed Avon Industrial Park - West; providing assistance to the town of Plymouth in the preparation of an Open Space and Recreation Plan; assisting in the preparation of a Fair Housing Plan for the Town of Stoughton; the provision of technical assistance to the communities of East Bridgewater and Bridgewater in successfully obtaining grant awards for Congregate Housing for Elderly developments; preparing an update of the Bridgewater Master Plan, and providing numerous other services to member communities on a day to day basis.

The transportation and transit planning activities of the Council required the preparation of a number of documents necessary for the area communities to remain eligible for transportation improvement programs. Among these are the Transportation Plan Update; the Transportation Improvement Program and a Prospectus of the region. The Council also played a coordinator role in the Southeast Expressway Reconstruction Program that was initiated in the Spring of 1984. The Council targeted efforts to persuade the more than 20,000 area residents who commute daily to the Boston area to use alternative means of commuting instead of

their personal vehicles on the expressway. The results of this effort were highly successful in reducing the flow of traffic on the expressway during the reconstruction. Other long term strategies of the Council include restoring commuter rail service to the Old Colony region as part of a cooperative effort with the Plymouth County Development Council and the Brockton Regional Chamber of Commerce. A related effort of the Council includes the extension of the rail commuter service on the Stoughton Branch to be extended to the town of Easton.

The Council also obtained traffic counting equipment during the year which has been used to provide accurate traffic volume data to area commuters on a request basis. Information is used by the Council to develop level of service analysis for intersections and roadways. During the year, counts were recorded at over 85 locations throughout the region and used as supporting data in numerous technical reports. Additionally, the Council initiated a computer based accident data recording system that will permit accident statistics to be quickly and accurately retrieved for each community.

A Rural Transit Study was completed by the Council for the communities of Plymouth and Kingston as part of a joint effort with the Southeastern Regional Planning and Development District who studied the town of Plympton and Carver. The study recommends that public transit service is feasible for the area and that three 16 passenger vans could operate on a fixed route and demand/responsive system effectively.

The Council also continued its working monitoring and planning for the Brockton Area Transit system. During the year BAT service was expanded to Ashmont and Sunday service restored.

The Council acting as the Area Agency on Aging during the year was responsible for administering Older Americans Act monies allocated to the region. OCPC funded and coordinated a wide range of service to elders through a variety of programs such as Hospice Care; Home Health Aide Care; Legal Assistance; Respite Care; Transportation Assistance; and, Nutrition through Congregate Home delivered meals. District communities directly benefitting through grants from the program include: Avon, nutrition, transportation; Bridgewater, Senior Center Assistant Coordinator; Brockton, Dorn-Davies Senior Center; East Bridgewater transportation; Easton, Shuttle Bus grant; Hanson, Senior Center Coordinator, transportation; Kingston nutrition; Pembroke, shuttle bus grant; Plymouth, senior Center program; Stoughton, transportation; West Bridgewater, transportation; and Whitman, transportation.

In 1984, Richard H. Chase of Easton was elected to his third term as President of OCPC. John DeMarco of Avon was elected as Council Secretary; and Charles A. P. ering of West Bridgewater was elected as Council Treasurer for the year.

The Council gratefully acknowledges the generous support and cooperation of its member communities, the participation and involvement of members of the Joint Transportation Committee chaired by Mr. John Yaney; the Overall Economic Development Committee chaired by Mr. George Baldwin and the Area Agency on Aging Advisory Committee chaired by Mr. John Mather. The Council also recognizes the work of local boards and commissions and the many government agencies, public and private institutions and individuals who have assisted the Council.

Respectfully submitted,  
Charles A. Pickering, *Delegate*

**REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of West Bridgewater:

The following is the report of the dog officer from July 1984 to January 1, 1985.

Dogs impounded .....	127
Dogs claimed by owners .....	60
Dogs destroyed .....	23
Dogs adopted to new homes.....	44

This year approximately 100 citizens have failed to license their dogs with the Town Clerk's office as opposed to approximately 20 the same time last year. It is possible this is due to the fact that Town Clerks are now enforcing the Mass. Rabie inoculation law. Citizens must have their dogs inoculated before receiving a license. Applications for complaint are being filed with the Brockton Court for failure to license. All who are on the list will receive notice via the Police department to appear in court.

I wish to thank the citizens of West Bridgewater for their cooperation and to the West Bridgewater Police Department for their invaluable assistance and a special thanks to the West Bridge Vet Hospital for their prompt treatment of injured animals.

Respectfully submitted,  
Julie A. Vivace,  
*Dog Officer*



# REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION

To the Residents of West Bridgewater:

After two years of inactivity, the Historical Commission has been reactivated. The previous Committee resigned due to frustrations in dealing with the Mass. Historical Commission. The recent completion of Route 495 portends an increase in building activity for West Bridgewater. The challenge of the new Historical Commission is to identify historical sites to prevent their loss due to new construction.

The primary job of the Historical Commission is to complete an inventory of all historical sites and structures in town. Twenty-eight out of one hundred and fifty sites were inventoried by the old Commission. Completion of the inventory makes the Town eligible for State Historic Preservation funds. Commission members and local high school history students are presently working on the inventory.

Since it may be several years before the inventory is complete, the Commission is conducting field surveys of land expected to be developed in the near future. Identification of significant historical details early in the land development stage enables the Commission to record historical details without holding up construction.

The Commission has met some resistance in detailing historical sites owned by out of town people.. There is a misconception that the Historical Commission tries to preserve every historical site it identifies. In fact, the Commission wants to document all sites but preserve only those sites that are historically significant or complete. The Commission is interested in preserving artifacts from all sites and has contacted the Mass. Archaeological Society and local colleges for assistance.

The Commission would like to encourage involvement of the Townspeople. In the coming year, we will start taking oral histories from some of our long time residents. Anyone interested in talking about the "Good old Days" of West Bridgewater should contact a Commission member.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lawrence D. Conant, *Chairman*  
Francis Beary  
Nancy Bell  
Stephen Dias  
Lucia Marcotte



# REPORT OF THE CABLE TELEVISION COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Cable Television Committee was constituted and held its first meeting on September 10, 1984. To date it has held seven meetings, four of which were attended by representatives of the Licensee, Continental Cablevision of Southern Massachusetts, Inc.

The committee has directed its initial efforts primarily in the following areas:

- A. Assurance of compliance with the terms of the license by Continental, with particular emphasis on:
  - a. Construction Schedule
  - 2. Cable Drops, Outlets and Service
  - 3. Service Interruptions
  - 4. Technical and Safety Standards
  - 5. Access and Local Origination Facilities and Staff
- B. Assuring that our townspeople are given full service/cost details during Continental's sales campaign.

Continental has met its initial construction schedule and has agreed to provide service/cost details specified by the committee at the time of sales visits. A special number will be established for West Bridgewater customer service calls. Observed deviations from safety standards in aerial cable construction on town highways have been brought to Continental's attention and they are pursuing corrective action with the other joint users of pole lines. This will be monitored. Arrangements for Access and Local Origination Facilities and Staff are in progress. This will also be closely monitored.

Since the system is in the initial stages of implementation, the committee has no recommendations at this time for modifications to the license, or changes in services. Also, there is nothing to report on franchise fees or utilization of access channels at this point.

Your committee anticipates a very busy year ahead as the system is fully implemented.

Louis Cabana, *Vice Chairman*  
Samuel Feinberg  
James Grandfield, *Clerk*  
Peter Turner

Respectfully submitted,  
Herbert P. Billett, *Chairman*

*Members:*  
Richard Bagley  
Herbert Billett *Chairman*

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**of the**  
**WEST BRIDGEWATER**  
**SCHOOL DEPARTMENT**

# REPORT OF THE WEST BRIDGEWATER SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Nineteen Eighty Four was a year of change for the West Bridgewater Schools. Dr. John Drinkwater left as superintendent and an interim superintendent, Dr. Thomas Whalen, supervised the system from March until June. Since July 1, 1984, Dr. Ronald Gerhart has capably handled the job of superintendent. The Committee expresses its appreciation to Dr. Whalen for filling in so well for a very short period of time and wishes him well in his new position as superintendent in Weston, Mass.

Mrs. Linda Santry was elected in April of 1984 and replaces Mr. Joseph McMorrow on the Committee. The Committee expresses its thanks to Mr. McMorrow for the diligence with which he performed his duties. The knowledge and experience which Mr. McMorrow brought to the Committee, coupled with his genuine concern for the people of West Bridgewater has definitely left its mark.

The Committee and the School System are saddened by the death of Mrs. Joan Boyd, a teacher at the high school and a quiet but outstanding citizen of the Town. It is a loss felt by the entire community.

After many years of strong service, Mr. Leo Moroni left the position as Director of Maintenance for employment in the private sector. All those who know Leo can appreciate the fine job he did, working six and seven day weeks, often more than twelve hours in a day, in order to keep the buildings open and operating despite the financial restrictions he had to contend with. We all extend our thanks and best wishes for his future.

Among the goals of the current committee are the establishment of a five year maintenance program and a system for the continuing review of curriculum.

Maintenance is a particular problem since we have almost Nine Million Dollars worth of buildings, grounds, and equipment to maintain and replace, and our efforts over the past few years to do so have been at an average rate of only about one and one-half to two percent of the total value of this property per year, excluding the cost of heating and utilities. It is readily evident upon inspection of all of the buildings, grounds, and equipment that a major upgrading through increased funding in these areas are required.

Another area which is of particular concern is the rising cost of providing special education to students as required under Federal Law 94-142 and Massachusetts Law 766. The projected increase for the Special Education tuition budget is from a current figure of approximately

\$43,000. to about \$108,000., an increase which amounts to about 2% of the total school department budget. We have absolutely no control over the educational requirements for these students nor over the tuition costs. It is not difficult to see the severe consequences of such costs if the current trend continues.

The potential for a teacher shortage in the late 1980's should also be noted. The number of students currently undertaking teacher training in colleges today is less than 10% of the total in such training ten years ago. The current starting salary in West Bridgewater for a teacher with a degree from a four year college is \$11,000., one of the lowest if not the lowest in the state. We are going to have to improve our salary structure if we wish to be able to compete in a difficult teacher market in a very few years.

Because of our declining enrollment and increasing costs, the School Committee and Administration has been informally cooperating with other systems to share resources in mutually difficult areas. We wish to express our thanks in particular to the East Bridgewater School System for their help in many areas. In conjunction with this, we have authorized the superintendent to discuss the question of regionalization with his counterpart in East Bridgewater. It is probable that this committee will recommend that the Town establish a committee for the formal investigation of regionalization. Such a recommendation would not constitute a request for regionalization but merely meets the requirements of the law in order for the study of this possibility.

The School Committee extends its appreciation to all other town departments for their assistance and cooperation during the year. Special thanks is due the Highway Department for the extensive work which they performed on the driveways and parking areas at Rose L. McDonald School. This highly professional job was accomplished with minimal interference to normal school activities and the Town can be proud of the job they have done.

We also send our thanks out to the many groups and individuals whose assistance during the year have helped to maintain an excellent level of education in West Bridgewater.

Respectfully submitted,  
Leo Cronin, *Chairman*  
Joseph Kennedy, *Vice Chairman*  
Thomas Kelley  
Betty Ann Miller  
Robert Bourne  
Linda Santry



WEST BRIDGEWATER HIGH SCHOOL

COMMENCEMENT

*Class of*  
**1984**



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Sandra A. Reese

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mr. Leo Cronin, Chairman

Mr. Joseph McMorrow

Mr. Thomas Kelley

Mr. Robert Bourne

Mrs. Betty Alden Miller

Mr. Joseph Kennedy

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Dr. John S. Drinkwater

PRINCIPAL

S. Erick Benson

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

J. Michael Janelli

JUNE 5, AT TWO O'CLOCK

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Dr. Thomas J. Whalen

### **PRINCIPAL**

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### **ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL**

J. Michael Janelli

### **CLASS OFFICERS**

*President* Jeffrey Wolfsberg

*Vice President* Dina Cronin

*Secretary* Jill Coots

*Treasurer* Kevin Sawyer

## CLASS OF 1984

Thomas W. Adams  
 Linda Jean Albert  
 Anthony W. Altieri  
 Jonathan Clark Ames  
 Maria Teresa Amico  
 Tracy Leigh Anderson  
 Eric-Michael Stephanie Auglis  
 Jean Ellen Baker  
 Steven Scott Barber  
 Robert Joseph Benecchi  
 Timothy Alan Bergeron  
 Raymond Joseph Bessette  
 Joan M. Bevis  
 Robert Emmet Broadman  
 Bonnie Lee Bottcher  
 Julie Marie Braga  
 Linda Jean Britton  
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 Thomas H. Bruce  
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 Valarie Ann Burke  
 Richard Bussey  
 Kelly Ann Byers  
 David Ronald Cain  
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 Christine L. Coelho  
 Paul Francis Connelly  
 Jill Theresa Coots  
 Clare Maureen Cronin  
 Dina Lynne Cronin  
 Marybeth Cruz  
 Christine Marie Damon  
 Lida Jane DeArruda  
 Catherine Jean Denzer  
 David Matthew Douglas  
 Paul Anthony Dunlevy

Darren Rich Eaton  
 Ellen M. Edwards  
 Joseph F. Eichoron  
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 Lisa Marie Eugenio  
 Lisa Evans  
 Victor R. Flaherty  
 Theresa Claire Foley  
 Jeffrey J. Fontaine  
 Michele Paula Fontaine  
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 Kristine Ann Freitas  
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 Paul Eric Hambly  
 Brian Roy Jackson  
 Nancy Lynn Jackson  
 Mary Leigh Jennette  
 Allyson Jones  
 Georges John Kallay  
 Colin Hall Kelley  
 Kevin John Kelley  
 Sherry Lee Knox  
 Jeanne Margaret Korotsky  
 Terence William Langton  
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 Jeffrey Alan Manzer  
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 Brian Edward McMorow  
 Michelle Ann Meurling  
 Jon Phelan Micciantuono

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 Nicole Michelle Nadeau  
 Ronald Bruce Newman, Jr.  
 Thomas Lance Ohlson  
 Gina Marie Orlando  
 Melissa Ann Peabody  
 Theodore G. Peter  
 Betty Jean Picchione  
 Jane-Margaret Pita  
 Sharon Elizabeth Pratt  
 Shawn Lawrence Robbins  
 Janice Evelyn Roderick  
 Ann Elizabeth Rolfe  
 Kevin Edward Sawyer  
 Michael Robert Sheehan  
 Robert Allen Sigren  
 Francis M. Silvia  
 Joan Frances Slack  
 Robert Joseph Slowey  
 Shelagh Margaret Smith  
 Kathleen Jane Snell  
 Steven K. Swanson  
 Brian James Thomas  
 Cathy Ann Tibbetts  
 Theresa Karen Tirrell  
 David Gould Turner  
 Rhonda Le Tyni  
 Lida Ann Urban  
 Mark Wayne Valla  
 Peter John Vallon  
 Laurie Jean Wardwell  
 Jeffrey Paul Watts  
 Lisa Jane Williams  
 Scott Richard Willis  
 Jeffrey Paul Wolfsberg

# — PROGRAM —

## Music:

Hogan's Heroes March	Fielding
Port-au-Prince	B. Wayne - P. Yoder
Sax Symbol	Dougl Hartzell
Baby Elephant Walk	Henry Mancini
Theme From Superman	John Williams

## Band

	Arthur Hogan, Conductor	
4*Processional	"Pomp and Circumstance"	Edward Elgar
*The National Anthem	"Star Spangled Banner"	Francis Key
*Invocation		Rev. Paul Hanna
Welcome Speech		Jeffrey Wolfsberg
Graduation Essay	David G. Turner, <i>Class Valedictorian</i>	
Presentation of Gavel		

2Jeffrey Wolfsberg

*President, Class of 1984*

Acceptance for the School

Carole Douglas

*President, Class of 1985*

Presentation of Awards

S. Erick Benson

*Principal, High School*

Presentation of Scholarships

Judith H. McHenry

*Scholarship Committee Chairperson*

Mr. Donald A. Fisher

*Former Superintendent of Schools*

Presentation of Diplomas

Mr. Leo Cronin

*Chairman, School Committee*

\*Alma Mater

Robert A. Coelho

Benediction

Rev. John L. Mansfield

\*Recessional

"Pomp and Circumstance"

Edward Elgar



*Band*

Audiences will please stand

School Colors

Maroon and White

School Symbol

Wildcat

West Bridgewater - Junior-Senior High School Motto:

“May we have the courage to change what can be changed,  
patience to endure what can't be changed,  
and wisdom to know the difference.”

Alma Mater:

*Through the dawn of each tomorrow  
Stands our Alma Mater clear;  
Firm and strong her code of ethics,  
Code her students hold so dear.*

*We, your children, love you dearly,  
Singing praises of you too;  
There you rise our Alma Mater,  
West Bridgewater, here's to you.*

*Spinning silken treads of knowledge  
For the fabric of our lives,  
Like a tapestry well-woven  
Our Maroon and White survives.*

*Soon we'll leave your walls behind  
Your corridors we know so well,  
Nothing can erase your memory . . .  
West Bridgewater — Hail — Farewell.*

*Robert A. Coelho '56*

## THE LEGEND OF THE CAP AND GOWN

Long ago, in ancient Greece, when formal education was for the very rich or the very determined, a wise old teacher was approached by a group of noblemen. "Our sons have completed their studies and it is time for them to return to their homes and live in the style befitting their station. Tomorrow we will present them at a great banquet. Be sure they are appropriately dressed in their finest."

The following day, the banquet hall was filled with royalty and nobility dressed in dazzling finery. The great moment came when the students entered with their beloved teacher. A cry arose from the crowd, for here were their young men dressed, not in the garments of the noble, but in simple sackcloth robes, each carrying a mortarboard — the mark of a common workman.

"What is the meaning of this?" cried the noblemen. "Our sons were to be dressed in their finest garments!" The wise teacher replied, "But they are! Your sons are dressed in the clothing of the mason, for their destiny is to build. Some will build cities, some will build lives — but all will be builders on the solid foundation of knowledge."

And to this day all graduates wear a cap and gown, proudly symbolizing the value of education, and the fact that they are builders of their future and the future of our world.

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Bill's Tire Barn  
Century 21 - Bob Smith, Realtor  
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Pillsbury's Flower Shop  
Star Chevron Station  
Tech Automotive, Inc.  
The Movie Stop  
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West Bridgewater Veterinary Hospital  
Yankee Peddler

## GSF - 1984 - CITIZENS SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION DONORS

Berwick Marine, Inc.  
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Bridgewater Kiwanis Club  
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Mark Connors Memorial  
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W.B.H.S. Class of 1928  
W.B.H.S. Student Council  
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We thank the donors (gifts of \$100, and over), the contributors (next page, gifts up to \$100.), our many fellow citizens who responded to the house-to-house drive, and the students and adults who helped on the drive. This year is the 20th anniversary for Citizens Scholarship Foundation in West Bridgewater. The local Chapter, originally sponsored by the W. B. Lions Club, has now raised and presented, to approximately 1,100 academically qualified and needy students, about \$250,000.

Mrs. Dorothy E. Seablom, Treasurer  
Citizens Scholarship Foundation

Mr. Donald A. Fisher, Chairman  
Scholarship Foundation Drive

## — AWARDS —

The Faculty Award in Athletics for Boys

The Faculty Award in Athletics for Girls

West Bridgewater Boosters Athletic Award for Boys *In Memory of Weston J. Andre*

West Bridgewater Boosters Athletic Award for Girls *In Memory of Weston J. Andre*

*Good Citizen Award - Daughters of the American Revolution*

*The Bausch and Lomb Optical Award*

*Marietta Kent Award*

*John Philip Souza Band Award*

*The Bridgewaters' Rotary Club Awards*

*The Sherman H. Starr Human Relations Youth Award*

*The National Scholastic Art Award*

*The Attendance Award*

## — SCHOLARSHIPS —

Benjamin Beal Howard Scholarship

Otis Drury Scholarship

These Scholarships provide for two continuing \$1,500.00 awards to members of the graduating class who have attained academic excellence. Renewal is dependent upon the maintenance of academic recommendation of the Howard-Drury Scholarship Board.

The William J. and Anna Clifford Howard Scholarship

West Bridgewater Education Association Scholarship - Frances Williams Memorial

Bridgewater Savings Bank Scholarship

Captain Gary W. Carlson Memorial Scholarship

Component Manufacturing Company Scholarship

Plymouth-Home National Bank Scholarship

West Bridgewater Mothers' Club Scholarship

The Agnes T. Hetherston Trust

Mark Connors Memorial Scholarship

Douglas P. Bromley Memorial Scholarship

The Earl C. Gifford Memorial Scholarship Fund

Horace Howard Scholarships

Scholarships to be awarded by the West Bridgewater Chapter  
of Citizens Scholarship Foundations



## **CLASS COLORS**

Maroon and Gold

## **CLASS MOTTO**

“To accomplish great things, we must not only act but also dream, not only plan but also believe,”

*Anatole France*

## **CLASS SONG**

“Let the Good Times Roll”

The Cars

## **TASSELS**

Gold: National Honor Society

Royal Blue and Gold: Quill and Scroll

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

My first town report as the Superintendent of Schools of the West Bridgewater Public Schools reflects upon a solid school system in a proud town. I have been impressed with the caliber of students, the dedication of the teachers and support staff, and the interest of the community in our schools. The small size of our school system is seen, in general, as a positive factor. Our enrollment of 1,155 students, with 608 at the Junior-Senior High School, 244 in the Howard School and 303 in the Rose L. MacDonald School shows a continued trend of decline. It is estimated that the decline will end with approximately 1,000 students within several years. The high school will bear the impact of decreased enrollment during the next four years. The ability to offer a comprehensive program in a small high school will present a challenge.

During the first six months of the new Superintendent's term, over 100 people were consulted regarding the West Bridgewater Public Schools -- 22 were personally interviewed and 87 responded to a questionnaire completed during a December inservice workshop. In general, the questions sought to determine (1) the key issue for individuals, (2) the key issue for the school system, (3) what should be preserved in the West Bridgewater Public Schools, (4) what should be changed, (5) the leadership of the last Superintendent, (6) the leadership required of the new Superintendent, and (7) the identification of past conflict in the school system.

Five groups responded to the questions: (1) the School Committee, (2) the Management Team, (3) teachers/staff, (4) support staff, and (5) community leaders. With respect to the key issue, the overwhelming response was declining enrollment and its impact on the school system. The small size was most often listed under the preservation category, while curriculum review appeared under the change category. The respondents listed strong leadership and honesty with respect to the past Superintendent and requested strong leadership and visibility from the new Superintendent. The two categories most frequently mentioned under conflict were the breakdown in collective bargaining with teachers and the negative impact of Proposition 2½.

In order to make the West Bridgewater Public Schools as effective as possible, an effort has been made to communicate with the staff (Superintendent's Notes), parents, (School Newsletter,), and the community (the Community Newsletter). The School Committee has established its goals around the improvement of public relations, a study of the curriculum, and a plan to improve the maintenance of our buildings and grounds. A Drug and Alcohol Abuse Committee has been established to support the Governor's goal of increased awareness in dealing with this critical problem. The PTO and our town's service organizations have devoted much of their time toward activities that directly affect our students. This opportunity will be used to thank everyone for helping with school programs and projects.

The proposed 1985-1986 School Budget has identified some critical needs for our system. Although the increase is greater than those of past years, the decision to postpone the expenditures will not be cost-effective. The five-year maintenance plan, for example, is essential if our multi-million dollar buildings and grounds investment is to be adequately protected.

In conclusion, my first year as your School Superintendent has been challenging and rewarding. It has been most helpful to have a supportive School Committee and staff who are dedicated to making the West Bridgewater Public Schools a place "where kids come first."

Respectfully submitted,  
Ronald P. Gerhart  
*Superintendent of Schools*

## West Bridgewater Jr. Sr. High School

This year Art students in the high school program worked very hard utilizing their artistic talents. Several students who entered the Scholastic Art Show were rewarded with regional, state and national recognition. Clare Cronin, Kristine Freitas, Debra Jaruse and Christine Marganian won regional gold key awards. Clare Cronin, Kristine Freitas and Debra Jaruse also won state blue ribbon awards. Jeanne O'Neil and Laurie Turner received honorable mention at the regional competition.

The Art III students submitted pen and ink designs for the 1983 Town Report Cover. Lisa Kovatis and Laurie Turner's designs were chosen for the front and back covers respectively.

The Post Club remained active throughout the year using their talents in designing posters for community-based programs.

Three major exhibits are held each year . . . the Fall and Spring displays are held in conjunction with Parent/Teacher Conferences. A Senior Art Show is held in mid May.

Several Seniors plan to further their Art careers by attending area art schools: Catherine Denzer and Jon Steinmetz - Swain; Claire Cronin - Smith College; Kristine Freitas and Jill Coots - Bridgewater; Mark Valla and Debra Endler - Blue Hills Vocational Technical.

Excellent reports are still coming in about former art students who are completing their college art education: Jean Iannitelli, Sarah Utka, Nancy Richardson, Ralph Swift, Jim Connolly, Cheryl Murphy and Nancy Carrozza.

The goals of the West Bridgewater Athletic, Intramural and Physical Education programs are to develop skills, values, attitudes and a competitive spirit which will help students become functioning, contributing members of today's active society. The Athletic Program should not be thought of as an entity in itself but as an integral part of the total educational experience. Athletics is the other half of education.

We at West Bridgewater, believe that athletic experiences contribute to the development of cognitive, psychomotor and affective skills which cannot be accounted for anywhere else in the educational process.

The 1983-84 school year had some 460 students involved in our athletic and intramural programs.

Two hundred and fifty students competed in some 250 athletic contests on the varsity and sub-varsity levels during the 1983-1984 year.



There were 150 students involved in our after school intramural programs, which include activities such as basketball, volleyball, soccer, and weight training.

Along with the interscholastic and intramural programs, we had 20 girls involved in our varsity and sub-varsity Cheerleading squads.

During the 1983-84 year, our teams were very successful. Boys Golf - Mayflower League Champions; Cross Country - qualified for State Tourney; Boys Basketball - Mayflower League Champions - qualified for State Tourney; Girls Basketball - Mayflower League Playoffs - qualified for State Tourney; Baseball - Mayflower League Champions, qualified for State Tourney.

The elements of winning and competition, though they do exist, do not determine the nature of our program. While students are encouraged to excel, the principals of sportsmanship are of primary importance at all times to enhance the educational values of athletics.

It is often asked, "What values are derived from athletic competition?", aside from the obvious physical values. Within the scope of the West Bridgewater program, the student learns the meaning of sportsmanship, discipline, cooperation and commitment.

The West Bridgewater Jr. Sr. High School Band and Chorus under the direction of Ms. Susan Coyle, presented its annual Christmas Concert at the Canoe Club, December 21st. The concert featured the Sr. High Band, combined Jr. Sr. High Band, the Jr. Sr. High Chorus and several ensemble selections. The Brass Choir combined with the Chorus for an audience sing-a-long of traditional Christmas carols to conclude the program.

During the football season, the Marching Band performed at all the home football games as well as the Thanksgiving game which was held at Norton. The Marching Band was enhanced this year through the revival of the Color Guard under the instruction of Social Studies teacher, Erin McVadon. The Marching Band also participated in several area parades, including the Annual Tri-Town Veterans' Day Parade, the Brockton Veterans' Day parade, which they won a third place trophy as a marching unit and West Bridgewater's Pearl Harbor Day Parade. This Spring, the Band will march in Brockton's St. Patrick's Day Parade and West Bridgewater's Little League Parade.

Also, this year, three of our High School musicians were selected to represent the Town of West Bridgewater in the Lions' All State Band. The Lions' Clubs of the State sponsor outstanding young musicians from all over Massachusetts and pay for their three-day room and board. After a rigorous rehearsal schedule, the young musicians entertain at the Annual Lions' Club State Convention. This year's convention will be held in May at Sturbridge.

This year, one of our students was chosen to represent the Town of West Bridgewater in the Massachusetts Music Educators' Southeast District Festival Chorus. The site of this year's performance was Hingham High School.

The Jr. Sr. High School Concert Band is now preparing for its annual Spring Concert and graduation exercises.

The Jr. Sr. High School Chorus has continued to increase in size. The Chorus recently participated in an exchange concert with Plymouth-Carver Regional High School at Plymouth. Plymouth-Carver will be coming to West Bridgewater in the Spring. Other performances included the combined Christmas concert, several area nursing homes and the Council on Aging in West Bridgewater.

The Jr. High Fine Arts Department, Miss Susan Coyle, music teacher and Mrs. Trish Holloway, art teacher, are presently putting together the production "If They Could See Us Now! '85", the revival of last year's student/faculty variety show. Past shows have included "Free To Be . . . You and Me", "If They Could See Us Now! '84" and "The Wizard Of Oz."

A Federal Grant for \$6,404 was written by the Business Department and accepted for the purchase of 13 electronic typewriters. These typewriters can be upgraded to computer printers if the need ever arises. These typewriters will be utilized primarily by the KEYBOARDING classes.

A Federal Grant Advisory Board was formed and met for the first time on Oct. 1, 1985. The purpose of this board is to aid the Business Department in the writing of FEDERAL GRANTS. Members are: Mr. Richard Krugger, Mrs. Cheryl Packard, Mr. Harold Estabrook, Mr. P. Christopher Cross, Miss Wendy Valla, Dr. Ronald Gerhart, Mr. S. Erick Benson, Mrs. Gail Callahan and Mr. Robert Lopes.

A Federal Grant, to instruct current staff members of West Bridgewater Jr. Sr. High School how to keyboard and how best to utilize the various computer software programs available for their use in teaching their classes, was written by Mr. Larry Adler, Mathematics Coordinator, Mr. Charles Monestere, Science Teacher, and Mrs. Gail Callahan, Business Department Coordinator.

The grant is expected to be approved and classes will start in March. Mr. Adler and Mrs. Callahan will serve as instructors.

Over the past year, the KEYBOARDING 1, KEYBOARDING 2, ACCOUNTING 2, WORD PROCESSING, STENOGRAPHY 1, and STENOGRAPHY 2 curriculum has been rewritten. STENOGRAPHY 1 and STENOGRAPHY 2 are now offered as two separate courses.

Guest speakers from BURDETT JR. COLLEGE, AQUINAS JUNIOR COLLEGE and KATIE GIBBS addressed the Business students in their Business classes on how to elect a college that best suits their need.

Gail Callahan attended an ERR computer workshop in October on selecting computer software. Along the same lines, the staff of the Business Department were instructed by a south Western representative on how to get the most out of our computer software programs.

Finally, computers purchased by the Business Department with Federal Funding are now being utilized within the Mathematics Department Computer Lab and Pascal courses and the English Department in the production of the school newspaper.

The English Department returned two writing electives to the 1984-85 curriculum. Writing Workshop I is designed to improve basic writing skills by using workshops in grammar, in-class correction of student compositions, and discussions and analysis of writing. Writing Workshop II reinforces and expands basic writing skills of college preparatory students by progressing from the paragraph to a comprehensive research paper. Each course is one semester. New texts have been purchased to complete the grade eleven and twelve updated curriculum. Materials for the eighth and tenth grade reading programs have been added.

Mrs. Lynne Salvador and Ms. Suzanne Cleary attended writing workshops this fall. The school newspaper, "The Wildcat Times," with Lisa Byrnes, Editor-in-Chief, and Mrs. Janice Ricciardelli, advisor, entered the second year of publication with a staff of thirty-five students.

High School students have participated in two field trips to Bridgewater State College to attend drama productions of the "Tempest" and "The Bacchae."

In the Foreign Language Department, the Spanish section has completed a three-year program to update its textbook series. Several students are expected to participate in the National Spanish Exam which is held every March.

During the 1983-84 school year, the Guidance Department continued to assist students in developing their ability to make decisions about personal, social, career, and educational issues. Educational, vocational, and personal counseling was provided on an individual and group basis to students in grades one through twelve. Parent-teacher-student conferences were scheduled during the year in order to enhance a student's development.



Since guidance is a "process" of helping students learn more about oneself and how to develop one's potentiality, students were provided with a variety of activities, classroom programs and resources as well as highly individualized counseling sessions. Counselors continued to coordinate the infusion of career awareness units along with various high school teachers. Classroom workshops were implemented in fifth and sixth grades relative to sexual growth/development and academic development issues.

A computerized career information system, ACES, was available to all students, teachers, and residents of West Bridgewater. The American Career Exploration System (ACES) offered students the opportunity to become more aware of their educational goals, personality preferences, abilities, interests, and alternatives and post-secondary schools.

Since the guidance process should be "action-oriented," the Guidance Department organized a pilot peer education and orientation program. Through this peer program, senior high school students volunteered to become "buddies" with middle school students ("big brother/sister" concept.) Under the direction of the Elementary Guidance Counselors, students entering the Howard School or Junior High School became more familiar with the facilities and policies by participating in an orientation program.

A variety of standardized tests continue to be administered system-wide. Achievement, aptitude and interest tests offer students more information about themselves relative to present and future planning. The Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test was administered in tenth and eleventh grade on a voluntary basis. The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery was offered to all high school students on a voluntary basis as well.

1984 was a memorable year for awards. Jeff Manzer was selected as a Finalist in the National Merit Scholarship Foundation Competition. He was also the recipient of a Chancellor's Academic Talent Award at U. Mass.-Amherst. Linda Britton received a Chancellor's Award from U. Mass.-Boston, whereby she was also given a tuition-free scholarship from U. Mass. Based on their high PSAT scores, five students received Letters of Commendation from the National Merit Competition. Lisa Byrnes was selected as one of two students to represent the Commonwealth of Mass. in a U.S.-Japan summer exchange program. Based on their exceptional achievement test scores, twelve seventh grade students qualified in the initial selection procedure for participation in the "Talent Search" sponsored by the Center for the Advancement of Academically Talented Youth at Johns Hopkins University. Four of these students scored "with distinction" on their Scholastic Aptitude Tests. Because of his exceptional scores, Aaron Chauncey was invited to participate in the 1984 Summer Program at Johns Hopkins University.



Scholarships totaling over \$45,500.00 were awarded to graduates and former graduates of West Bridgewater High School. The funds were raised through the efforts of the Local Citizens' Scholarship Foundation. The total also represents contributions from the Horace Howard Aid Fund, local businesses, social organizations, memorial scholarships, private contributions, trust funds, and funds donated by former scholarship recipients.

The Class of 1984 decided upon various career pursuits after graduation. Sixty-two percent of the class was planning on continuing their education after high school.

Athletic physicals by the Health Department began in late August for fall sports with a large turnout being examined by Dr. Arthur Carriere. Pre-physicals, which consist of height, weight and blood pressure, are conducted the day prior to the physician's examination, so that the information is readily available.

Confidential information is distributed to each member of the faculty on the day prior to the students' opening day of school so as to inform each teacher of a student they may have as to hearing and vision problems, so that proper seating may be arranged. Students with specific handicaps and/or illnesses, such as Diabetes, Epilepsy, to give examples, are made known to the faculty from the first day of school and what to do if a problem arises. They are given updated information if it occurs.

Epipen instructions were given to each faculty member as we do have students with severe reactions to insect bites.

It would be strongly advised that the school be informed of any unusual home situations which could affect the student and their school life, such as a death in the family, an illness, a divorce or any situation which might be stressful to the student.

Vision and Hearing Screening continues on an annual basis. Parent follow-up could improve as far as informing the school if treatment was necessary.

West Bridgewater students have all been immunized according to the recent Massachusetts Immunization Law, therefore, Clinics for T/D boosters are the only ones necessary other than kindergarten.

Scoliosis screening which is now mandatory annually by the State, continues to be done by the Physical Education Dept. with referrals to the school nurse on students with positive or questionable signs. If the school nurse's diagnosis was positive or questionable, a form was sent to the parent or guardian to have their own physician examine the student and return the form with the physician's diagnosis.

Health counseling continues daily. Many students need someone they can confide in or someone just to be a good listener.

The School Nurse serves on the Core Evaluation Team and makes home assessments as necessary.

The School Nurse serves as advisor to The Future Nurses' Club.

The Home Economics Department stresses survival skills in four subject areas: Singles Living, Chefs Course, Life Skills and Child Development. Fifty students were exposed to information on career choices, budgeting personal income, all categories of a budget, consumer skills, nutrition, food preparation, establishing relationships, parenting, and insight into coping with stressful experiences of adulthood.

The Industrial Arts Department has purchased a new 3/8 drill, sabre saw and finishing sander this year. The enrollment has stayed the same in all classes. The shop area is now being shared with the Special Education Pre-Voke program.

The School Library has catalogued 358 books for its permanent collection. Fifty-three periodicals and newspapers were also purchased or renewed. Twenty-four volumes of periodicals have been added to the reference collection.

This year, the School Library/Media Center has made a major effort to expand its non-print services. The acquisition of video cassettes have made it possible to invite classes to the media center to view works by Charles Dickens and Mark Twain. Additional non-print materials have been ordered to add to the growing collection.

Mr. Dermont and Dr. Russell have held coffee hours with the English, Social Studies and Science Departments, before and after school, to acquaint them with the books and non-print materials available for their use in the Library/Media Center.

The High School Mathematics Department initiated its first full-year course in Pascal this year for Juniors and Seniors. A course in BASIC is currently running successfully in its second year. The Mathematics curriculum, grades 7-12 has been overhauled, and should be ready for full implementation in September of 1985. New texts and materials, along with a Jr. High Computer Literacy Program argument this new document. The Computer Lab, in its third year of operation, continues to expand with added equipment, more supervisors and more usage.

Even though the number of students in the high school is on the decline, there seems to be a renewed interest in Science, and a shift in the types of Science courses selected. More students are electing lab courses and fewer are choosing the general or lecture-oriented electives. There are

perhaps two reasons for this. First, there have been numerous advances in technology and engineering in recent months, and job opportunities in these science-related fields seems promising. Also, more colleges and technical schools are now requiring 2 years of high school lab science work instead of one.

If we are to meet the demand for lab courses, then we also must meet the demand for more equipment, especially in physics and biochemistry.

Science Department personnel have been involved in numerous workshops, seminars at universities, and advanced studies over the past year, all serving to enhance our program offerings.

The Social Science Department is committed to making Superintendent Ronald Gerhart's slogan, "a system where kids come first," a reality. This priority is accomplished through the work of a dedicated staff committed to curriculum review and revision, increased classroom standards, skill acquisition, and enriching activities. West Bridgewater Social Science teachers average fifteen years of service and possess Bachelors and/or Masters Degrees from the leading colleges and universities.

Student-centered activities this year include Student Government Day in which students Michael Kelley and Amy Averill were elected by their peers to represent West Bridgewater at the State House in Boston; the V.F.W. Voice of Democracy Oratory Contest in which Susan Eaton was the local winner; eight students in the U.S. History course are working with the Historical Commission registering historic sites in hopes of having the Town placed in the National Register; and students have studied the major topics of the Presidential election through attending "Issues 84", a series of seminars at the Kennedy Library in Boston.

Likewise, staff members have remained learners as well as teachers. From membership in Regional, State and National Social Science Organizations, to course work, members are interested in ideas and their direct application in the classroom. The Social Science Department continually works to analyze approaches used, share ideas, and create new materials. The beneficiaries of these efforts are, of course, the students.

Respectfully submitted,  
S. Erick Benson, *Principal*  
*Junior-Senior High School*



# Howard School

Presently, the Howard School Grades 4-6 has an enrollment of 244 students. A typical intermediate child's daily academic program consists of Reading, Language, Spelling, Handwriting, Mathematics, Social Science, and Physical Science. Students participate weekly in specialized activities in Art, Music (vocal and/or instrumental), Physical Education, Library Science, and Computers.

For those students in need of further academic services there are programs available through our Reading/Language Arts Department, Special Needs Department, Chapter I Program, and the Gifted and Talented Program (TOP HAT).

Students (approximately 75) participate in a Saturday morning academic enrichment (12 Saturdays) offered at Massasoit Community College and students have an opportunity to participate in an after school intramural program two days a week throughout the school year.

To ensure that we continue to provide our students with the best possible educational program I have included the following two recommendations as part of my budget proposals for the 1985-86 school year.

1. **Continue with the Semi-Departmentalized Curriculum that we presently have in Grade 6.**

This program provides a transition period from basically self-contained classrooms in Grades K-5 to a complete departmentalized program in Grade 7. Staff members at this level have taught in their present curriculum areas for a number of years - to require them to teach in disciplines they have not been involved with would certainly have an adverse effect on the students program. To maintain the present academic program in Grade 6 requires that **we maintain the present four (4) staff positions.**

2. **Increase the present part-time Howard School Elementary Counselors position to a full-time position.**

At the present time the greatest portion of the counselor's day is spent with a relatively small fraction of the student body - those that have an Individual Educational Plan through the Special Needs department. The expansion of time would provide for more types of preventative and on-going services which impact on all students. Such services as: on-going consultation with teachers, formalized student programs of academic guidance at the Grade 6 level, career awareness activities, and a formalized program with students on social and emotional growth grades 4, 5, and 6.



I cannot emphasize strongly enough - if we are to continue to provide **all** students at the Howard School with a strong educational program then it is essential that the above two recommendations be implemented.

In closing I would like to thank the Parent Teacher Organization and Parent Volunteers who continue to provide the needed help to classroom teachers and other staff members. Their time and effort devoted to the betterment of the educational program is appreciated by all.

Respectfully submitted,  
William M. Jones  
*Principal*

## **Rose L. MacDonald School**

At Rose L. MacDonald School we have 303 students in grades K-3. There are four kindergarten classes; two in the morning and two in the afternoon. On January 28 the morning classes will be attending the afternoon session and the afternoon classes will be attending the morning session. At this time of the year academics with pre-reading skills are developing rapidly. The children are eager to meet the Alpha people and the related activities that come with each letter. The kindergarten program has been enriched in all areas of our curriculum, i.e. math, science and language arts.

There are four first grade classes, four second grade classes, and three third grade classes. We are requesting that the present four second grade classes continue on to the third grade. It is most important that the primary grades remain small to provide the children with more individualized instruction at this early age.

In addition to the above we have a Language Based class with eight students with special needs, and the C.I.D. class for the multi-handicapped young children, administered by the R.E.A.D.S. collaborative.

**THE EMPHASIS AT THE PRIMARY GRADES IS PLACED ON THE LANGUAGE ARTS WITH READING AS THE MOST IMPORTANT SUBJECT.**

### **Math**

This year saw the adoption of a K-3 mathematics curriculum for the Rose L. MacDonald School. This was the culmination of eight months of work and consultation. A subcommittee of Larry Adler, Lorena Manchester and Carolyn Cullen did the actual writing during the summer workshop in July 1984.

Classroom teachers continue to utilize math manipulatives in the classroom. A new tool was the "math cart" which travels to various second grade classrooms on activity game days in math. It is hoped that next year, we can extend this facility to other grade levels.

## **Chapter I**

There are two Chapter I tutors at this school, Mrs. Kwan and Mrs. Turner, who service forty-four students in reading and math. Children who qualify for this service are tutored in very small groups as well as individually to improve the reading and math skills.

## **Health Services**

The following is a list of health services offered at Rose L. MacDonald School;

Teaching and reinforcing good health habits

Updating all health records

Insuring that every child has proper immunizations before entering school

Periodic physicals

Frequent communication with parents concerning health and programs being taught

Administering medication as prescribed by their doctor and making sure that the children are informed what this is for, when to take it

We did 79 screenings on vision and hearing this year. Served 395 sick children. One hundred forty-eight children received medication. Six students received medication every day they are in school.

To help develop an I.E.P. the school nurse does the home assessment with the Counselor. Presently we are examining different drug abuse programs that would be appropriate for these children. The new science textbooks which were adopted this fall have many good health units to assist the teachers when presenting these to their classrooms. This is one of the reasons for requesting that the nurse's time be increased by  $\frac{1}{4}$ .

## Science

During 1984 much has been done in the realm of curriculum development in science at the elementary level. A textbook committee was busy evaluating new science texts during the 1983-84 school year. The new Silver Burdett Science Series was selected for the manner in which it presented scientific concepts for its excellent health units and the great diversity of resource material. Student reception of the new program has been enthusiastic. Teachers have been instructed to use the text as part of their reading time during the week. Also, a curriculum guide for the new series was written for grades K-3.

## Special Education

There are several excellent special education services provided at Rose L. MacDonald School. The Language Based Program is serviced by a special therapist who combines language therapy with academic instruction.

The three resource centers deal primarily with perceptual training, academic support services in all skill areas and in some cases they provide the total instruction for the child. We serve a total of 59 children with I.E.P.'s. Many of these are provided by more than one specialist.

### Rose L. MacDonald students by services:

The resource staff ser	48 students.
Speech and Language	21 students
Counseling	11 students
Language Based	5 students
Adaptive P.E.	5 students
Occupational Therapy	3 students
Physical Therapy	3 students

### Students serviced by grade:

Kindergarten	13
Grade One	17
Grade Two	14
Grade Three	15

The PTO and Parent Volunteers continue to provide the much needed help at Rose L. MacDonald School. Their time and effort devoted to the betterment of the educational program is appreciated by all staff.

## Reading

Much time and effort is devoted to finding and using the best possible approaches and materials to initiate reading instruction at the primary level. Since children grow and learn at different rates, we find that using a multi-based approach on various levels of difficulty is most successful.

Various diagnostic procedures are used in the reading program including informal screening, formal testing and follow-up supportive help for those students having reading problems. Enrichment services for those students who learn at a faster rate are provided through the Reading Specialist.

In closing I would like to thank all staff members for their cooperation, diligence and effort on behalf of our children.

Respectfully submitted,  
Thomas Peters, *Principal*  
*Rose L. MacDonald School*



# Special Education

The Department of Special Education and its' staff are dedicated to the premise that "all children are equal and no child is more equal than another." In striving towards this goal, services are continuously being upgraded and increased in those areas that appear to be in need of improvement or expansion.

The State continues to emphasize early detection of children with problems and their remediations at an age when the effect of intervention is greatest. Again this year all Kindergarten children have been screened as well as those three and four year olds whose parents wanted them to be evaluated for suspected or known Special Needs.

At the present time we have twenty students that are placed outside the West Bridgewater School system. The tuition and transportation for these students is increasing at a fast rate. We are making every effort to provide services within our school system to comply with the State regulations, for the least restrictive programs that would meet the needs of the students and be cost effective, in compliance with State and Federal regulations. The Special Education Department is serving 198 students in age from three to twenty-one years old.

One of our most cost effective programs emphasizing behavior management and pre-vocational skills at the High School is presently meeting the needs of those students who have been diagnosed to receive help in this alternative program.

The School Psychologist and Counselors on staff combine to provide coordinated psychological services to students in grades Kindergarten through twelve. In addition to their evaluative functions, this staff works to provide direct counseling services to students as well as consultation to their parents and teachers.

Mr. Vincent Scaduto is presently evaluating the Special Education programs supported by Federal funds, as well as all other programs supported by the community. This Spring, his final report will be given to the School Committee and the State.

Our attention needs to be directed towards early childhood for preventative services, psychological evaluations at all levels, job placement and counseling services for the students who have been identified and diagnosed needing these services.

Several notices were prepared for parents to review our annual Special Education plan and made available for anyone wishing to make suggestions. The Federal funds under Public Law 94-142 were \$45,320 and under Public Law 89-313 were \$6,300 for a total of \$51,620.

In summary, the Special Needs services for all children continue to be improved with the support and encouragement of the people of West Bridgewater.

I wish to thank all parents, teachers, administrators and members of the School Committee for their support to provide better Special education services to the children of West Bridgewater.

Respectfully submitted,  
Thomas Peters  
*Director of Special Needs*

# TREASURER'S REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen

The Treasurer respectfully submits her annual report for the fiscal year 1984.

The Town of West Bridgewater was fortunate and had to borrow money only once this year costing the town in interest \$7,465.33 but on investments the town earned \$59,387.03 for the net gain of \$51,921.70.

I wish to thank the Townspeople and the various municipal departments for their support.

<b>Trust Funds</b>	<b>Bal. as of 6/30/83</b>	<b>Interest Earned</b>	<b>Fund Expended</b>	<b>Bal. as of 6/30/84</b>
Pleasant Hill Cemetery	4,712.02	252.56	272.54	4,692.04
Pine Hill Cemetery	3,374.86	180.96	180.16	3,375.66
Town Cemeteries	7,328.02	416.10		7,744.12
	<u>15,414.90</u>	<u>849.62</u>	<u>452.70</u>	<u>15,811.82</u>
<b>Library Trust Funds</b>				
#1	15,878.08	857.55		16,735.63
#2	6,377.68	344.50		6,722.18
#3	14,519.98	784.18		15,304.16
	<u>36,775.74</u>	<u>1,986.23</u>		<u>38,761.97</u>
Curtis Library Fund	8,683.24	522.71		9,205.96
	<u>45,458.98</u>	<u>2,508.94</u>		<u>47,967.93</u>
 W. J. & A. C. Howard Scholarship Fund	 5,520.07	 298.11	 250.00	 5,568.18
<b>Drury Bell Fund</b>				
General Fund	424.73	22.94		447.67
Scholarship	143.01	8.00		151.01
<b>Stabilization Fund</b>	56,000.00	2,870.48		59,501.64

Respectfully submitted,  
Elizabeth L. Zamaitis,  
*Treasurer - Collector*

**TO BE APPROPRIATED JULY 1, 1985 - JUNE 30, 1986**

<b>Department</b>	<b>Bond Principal</b>	<b>Bond Interest</b>	<b>Total</b>
School	158,000.00	13,910.00	171,910.00
Water	30,000.00	10,530.00	40,530.00
Other			15,000.00
	188,000.00	24,440.00	227,440.00



**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**of the**  
**WEST BRIDGEWATER**  
**TOWN ACCOUNTANT**

To the Board of Selectmen:

I submit herewith my Annual Report in accordance with Section 61, Chapter 41, General Laws, for the year ended June 30, 1984.

**TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - June 30, 1984**

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**TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER  
GENERAL FUND - BALANCE SHEET - JUNE 30, 1984**

**Assets:**

Cash - unrestricted checking			1,217,968.05
Investments			
Certificate of deposit		500,000.00	
Money Market et al		178,000.00	678,000.00
Receivables:	<b>Exhibit</b>		
Real	A-1	333,082.44	
Personal	A-1	11,556.81	
Liens		61,849.09	
Excise	A-1	109,289.27	
Water & Liens	A-1	81,552.47	
Departmental		3,400.00	
Due from State:			
Veterans		6,586.78	
Police		3,638.08	
Highway		8,663.34	
Total (Contra)		619,618.68	
Deduct - Provision for abatements		81,540.03	538,078.65
Tax Foreclosures			8,090.21
Other Debts:			
Unprovided unpaid expenditures			2,227.13
Fund Balance Designated for:			
Over assessments		238.00	
Unprovided abatements		94.26	
Legal Overdraft - Fire		12,800.00	
Court judgements		16,206.29	29,338.55
<b>Total Assets</b>			<u><u>2,473,702.59</u></u>

## Liabilities and Fund Balance

### Liabilities:

Warrants payable		791,700.50
Accrued wages	Schedule I	65,115.57
Withheld employee deductions		175,386.02
Deferred revenue (contra)		619,618.68
Due to County		290.50
Meals tax withheld		25.23
Total Liabilities		<u>1,652,136.60</u>

### Fund Balance:

Reserve for encumbrances	Schedule I	255,913.85
Reserve for extraordinary and unforeseen expenditures		20,477.56
Reserved for underassessments		5,781.28
Reserve for expenditures		20,000.00
Reserve for unpaid expenditures		2,227.13
Unreserved	Exhibit B	517,166.17
Total Fund Balance		<u>821,565.99</u>
<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balance</b>		<u><u>2,473,702.59</u></u>

### Exhibit A-1

## COMBINED BALANCE SHEET - ALL FUND TYPES Receivables - June 30, 1984

### General Fund

	Year	Real	Deferred	Litigation
Real:	1984	201,320.17	—	—
	1983	77,811.42	500.00	—
	1982	43,770.39	478.80	—
	1981	1,289.61	740.00	—
	1980	184.00	—	—
	1979	192.00	540.00	716.88
	1978	188.00	1,528.75	701.95
	1977	176.00	495.00	657.14
	1961-76	176.00	—	1,616.73
Totals	333,082.84	325,107.59	4,282.55	3,692.70

Excise:		<b>Vehicle</b>	<b>Farm</b>	<b>Boat</b>
	1984	69,913.53	—	38.00
	1983	9,160.84	255.00	280.74
	1982	5,258.86	15.00	—
	1981	3,396.88	15.00	—
	1980	10,273.10	312.00	—
	1979	5,613.52	24.50	—
	1978	4,732.30	—	—
<b>Totals</b>	108,289.27	108,349.03	621.50	318.74

Other:		<b>Personal</b>	<b>Water</b>	<b>W/Liens</b>
	1984	2,890.41	73,220.93	5,661.92
	1983	4,070.90	—	2,044.20
	1982	1,016.40	—	625.42
	1981	1,690.00	—	—
	1980	805.00	—	—
	1979	825.60	—	—
	1978	258.50	—	—
<b>Totals</b>		11,556.81	73,220.93	8,331.54



## UNRESERVED FUND BALANCE - JUNE 30, 1984

July 1, 1983 Balance		332,022.60
ADD:		
Tax lien redemptionsi		8,823.12
Sale of land		2,886.52
Sale of police cruiser		3,910.00
Tax lien foreclosed		5,332.69
Unexpended appropriations - Exhibit I		93,483.28
Actual receipts over estimated - Exhibit C		27,974.45
State aided construction		37,958.51
Unexpended vouchers payable - 1983		329.26
Total		<u>512,720.42</u>
DEDUCT:		
Taxes added to liens	21,239.32	
Appropriations		
Police	900.00	
Police - safety partition	1,500.00	
Fire	<u>6,800.00</u>	<u>30,439.32</u>
		482,281.10
ADJUSTMENTS:		
Real and property revenue deferred		
adjusted to ending outstanding taxes		54,885.07
Provision for expenditures 1984/85		<u>- 20,000.00</u>
<b>June 30, 1984 Balance - Exhibit A</b>		<u><u>537,166.17</u></u>

**Schedule of Estimated and Actual Revenue**  
**June 30, 1984**

Source	Estimated	Actual	Over (Under)
<b>State:</b>			
Loss of Taxes - State owned land	41,110	41,110	—
Loss of Taxes - Veterans, et al	13,781	15,063	1,282
School - Chapter 70	852,828	852,828	—
School Transportation	47,576	37,520	(10,056)
School - Construction	83,777	83,777	—
School - Related transportation	7,832	6,467	( 1,356)
School - Tuition for State Wards	14,348	9,516	( 4,832)
School - other	—	3,240	3,240
Public Libraries	1,844	—	( 1,844)
Police career incentive	12,134	13,705	1,571
Veterans benefits	10,256	11,027	771
Highway reconstruction & maintenance	38,784	38,784	—
Local aid	258,126	258,074	(   52)
Lottery, Beano, Charity games	88,214	88,239	25
Highway fund	38,431	38,431	—
Total State	<u>1,509,041</u>	<u>1,497,781</u>	<u>(11,260)</u>
<b>Local:</b>			
Motor vehicle excise	194,495	217,884	23,389
Licenses	44,745	48,647	3,902
Fines	94,398	91,377	( 3,021)
General government	32,774	25,330	( 7,444)
School	322	13	(   309)
Libraries	889	1,118	229
Farm excise	1,168	884	(   284)
Interest	63,642	89,866	26,224
Public service enterprise	187,597	186,244	( 1,353)
Trailer park fees	7,623	10,098	2,475
Ambulance fees	27,885	23,139	( 4,746)
Boat excise	616	788	172
Regional School	50,295	50,295	—
Total Local	<u>706,449</u>	<u>745,683</u>	<u>39,234</u>
<b>Totals - Exhibit B</b>	<u><u>2,215,490</u></u>	<u><u>2,243,464</u></u>	<u><u>27,974</u></u>

**REVENUE SHARING FUND**  
**Balance Sheet - June 30, 1984**

**Assets:**

Investments - MMDT	223,541.35
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**Liabilities and Fund Balance**

**Liabilities:**

Shawmut First County Bank	1,462.80
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**Fund Balance:**

Reserved for expenditures	170,000.00
Reserved for encumbrances	34,649.16
Unreserved	17,429.39

<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balance</b>	<b>223,541.35</b>
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**Analysis of Fund Balance**

**Receipts:**

U. S. Government	150,968.00
Interest earned	23,542.59
Unexpended appropriations	8,433.04
<b>Total</b>	<b>182,943.63</b>

**Deduct - Adjustment**

Reserve for expenditures 1984/85	170,000.00
	12,943.63

July 1 Balance	4,485.76
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<b>June 30, 1984 Balance</b>	<b>17,429.39</b>
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**TRUST FUNDS**  
**Balance Sheet - June 30, 1984**

**Assets:**

Cash and Securities	129,449.00
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**Fund Balance:**

Cemetery perpetual care	15,812.00
Drury Bell	599.00
Library	47,968.00
Stabilization	59,502.00
W.J. & A.C. Howard Scholarship	5,568.00

<b>Total Fund Balance</b>	<b>129,449.00</b>
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**Debt Fund - June 30, 1984**

<b>Net Funded on Fixed Debt</b>	<b>741,000.00</b>
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**Loans payable:**

School	501,000.00
Water	240,000.00

<b>Total</b>	<b>741,000.00</b>
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## APPROPRIATIONS - EXPENDITURES 1983-84

GENERAL FUND	Unexpended Balance 7-1-83	Appropriations	Transfer from Reserve	Receipts	Expended	Reverting to Revenue	Unexpended Balance 6-30-84
Account							
<b>General Government:</b>							
Selectmen	—	27,640.00	2,000.00	—	29,629.42	10.58	—
Moderator	—	155.00	—	—	—	—	155.00
Finance Committee	—	100.00	—	—	80.00	20.00	—
Reserve Fund	—	30,000.00	—	—	30,000.00	—	—
Election & Registration	—	7,610.00	—	253.44	7,321.57	541.87	—
Town Reports	—	5,000.00	—	—	4,384.20	615.80	—
Totals	—	70,505.00	2,000.00	253.44	71,415.19	1,188.25	155.00
<b>Financial Administration:</b>							
Accountant	—	11,644.00	—	—	11,597.46	46.54	—
Assessors	—	18,742.00	—	—	18,508.33	233.67	—
Treasurer/Collector	—	49,188.00	606.35	—	49,794.35	—	—
Tax-lien foreclosures	1,494.77	—	—	—	218.00	—	1,276.77
Clerk	—	19,770.00	—	—	19,724.37	45.63	—
Law	—	13,500.00	6,581.44	—	20,351.44	—	—
Appeals Board	—	680.00	53.40	—	733.40	—	—
Planning Board	—	2,025.00	—	—	2,025.00	—	—
Planning Board - Matfield Woods	1,188.00	—	—	—	321.25	—	866.75
Town Hall	—	21,410.00	—	100.00	17,730.64	3,351.50	427.86
Contributory Retirement	—	178,958.00	—	—	178,958.00	—	—
Totals	2,682.77	315,917.00	7,511.19	100.00	319,962.24	3,677.34	2,571.38

GENERAL FUND		Unexpended Balance	Transfer from	Reverting to	Unexpended Balance
Account	7-1-83	Appropriations	Reserve	Revenue	6-30-84
<b>Public Safety</b>					
Police	—	558,930.00	8,908.50	(1,272.13)	—
Police revolving	1,232.00	—	—	—	2,270.10
Police cruisers	—	18,000.00	—	—	—
Police - roof lights	—	450.00	—	45.00	—
Police - safety partition	—	1,500.00	499.67	—	—
Police - radar	—	2,000.00	—	5.00	—
Police - copy machine	—	2,000.00	—	5.00	—
Police - breathalyzer	—	—	3,675.00	—	—
Fire	—	217,170.00	6,452.00	(12,800.00)	—
Fire - call pagers	—	5,000.00	—	190.50	—
Fire - ambulance	—	—	—	23,138.77	—
Fire - Chassis	—	22,000.00	—	—	21,972.00
Tree Warden	—	65,417.00	—	1,544.67	—
Building Inspector	—	14,519.00	—	1,420.53	—
Gas & Plumbing Inspector	—	2,025.00	—	—	—
Sealer of Weights/Measures	—	790.00	—	788.81	—
Wire Inspector	—	1,160.00	—	113.00	—
Civil Defense	—	367.00	—	9.18	—
Dog Officer	—	15,147.00	759.76	—	—
Totals	1,232.00	926,475.00	20,294.93	11,445.71	24,242.10
<b>Education:</b>					
School	—	2,983,759.00	—	1,907.13	179,294.00
Athletic revolving	2,832.76	—	—	—	4,040.76
Hot lunch	10,922.86	—	—	—	3,785.59
Vocational	—	1,000.00	—	30.15	—
Regional	—	72,195.00	—	50,295.00	—

GENERAL FUND	Unexpended Balance 7-1-83	Appropriations	Transfer from Reserve	Receipts	Expended	Reverting to Revenue	Unexpended Balance 6-30-84
Account							
Revolving	6,531.72	—	—	16,564.94	13,104.35	—	9,992.31
Title I	3,259.17	—	—	20,645.00	22,987.93	—	916.24
Behavioral management	842.00	—	—	—	842.00	—	—
Psychological services	6,620.08	—	—	28,220.00	23,988.88	—	10,451.20
Adapted Physical Ed.	198.00	—	—	3,750.00	3,948.00	—	—
Chapter II IECA	—	—	—	5,883.00	5,318.48	—	564.52
Accounting concepts	—	—	—	5,611.00	5,611.00	—	—
LEA Incentive	—	—	—	10,844.85	10,844.85	—	—
Paving	—	18,000.00	—	—	16,109.68	1,890.32	—
W.J. & A.C. Howard Scholarship	105.55	—	—	250.00	250.00	—	105.55
Totals	30,912.14	3,074,954.00	—	253,088.47	3,095,681.84	54,122.60	209,150.17
<b>Highways and Streets</b>							
Highways	—	295,047.00	—	—	266,284.54	28,762.46	—
Gas revolving	2,606.63	—	—	39,462.14	38,473.65	—	3,595.12
State aided construction	35,929.88	37,464.00	—	—	17,735.68	28,319.00	27,339.20
Street lights	—	6,000.00	193.88	—	6,193.88	—	—
Engineering services	—	100.00	—	—	—	100.00	—
Construction	5,610.00	—	—	26,626.00	—	—	32,236.00
Street Sweeper	—	5,999.00	—	—	5,999.00	—	—
Sand spreader	—	5,900.00	—	—	5,712.00	188.00	—
Land	—	2,000.00	—	—	—	—	2,000.00
Totals	44,146.51	352,510.00	193.88	66,088.14	340,398.75	57,369.46	65,170.32

GENERAL FUND		Unexpended Balance 7-1-83	Appropriations	Transfer from Reserve	Receipts	Expended	Reverting to Revenue	Unexpended Balance 6-30-84
Account								
<b>Other Environmental:</b>								
Industrial development	—	50.00	—	—	—	—	50.00	—
IDC Finance Authority	—	100.00	—	—	—	53.40	46.60	—
Historical commission	—	100.00	—	—	—	—	100.00	—
Conservation commission	—	1,000.00	—	—	—	341.61	658.39	—
Totals	—	1,250.00	—	—	—	395.01	854.99	—
<b>Human Services:</b>								
Health	—	21,766.00	—	—	—	21,083.08	682.93	—
Multi-health service	—	4,093.00	—	—	—	4,093.00	—	—
Council on Aging	—	12,715.00	—	—	—	12,137.65	577.35	—
Council on Aging - Grant	287.85	—	—	—	9,022.00	1,482.54	—	7,827.31
Council on Aging - State	9.56	—	—	—	—	9.56	—	—
Council on Aging - Energy	—	2,500.00	—	—	—	2,450.00	—	50.00
Veteran services	—	31,592.00	—	—	—	18,303.23	13,288.77	—
Cemetery Trust Funds	—	—	—	—	452.70	452.70	—	—
Totals	297.41	72,666.00	—	—	9,474.70	60,011.76	14,549.04	7,877.31
<b>Culture and Recreation:</b>								
Library	—	60,053.00	—	—	50.00	60,043.27	59.73	—
Library Trust Funds	1,437.23	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,437.23
Library Dog Fund	2,132.90	—	—	—	2,965.84	2,132.90	—	2,965.84
Christmas Decorations	—	200.00	—	—	—	175.00	25.00	—
Memorial & Veterans Days	—	600.00	—	—	—	517.45	82.55	—
Memorial Field	—	500.00	—	—	—	232.40	267.60	—
Recreation	—	3,750.00	—	—	—	3,653.06	96.94	—
Tennis Courts	—	200.00	—	—	—	191.99	8.01	—



GENERAL FUND	Unexpended Balance 7-1-83	Appropriations	Transfer from Reserve	Receipts	Expended	Reverting to Revenue	Unexpended Balance 6-30-84
Account							
State Aid	3,179.50	—	—	5,023.50	3,179.50	—	5,023.50
Arts Grant	—	—	—	1,895.00	1,020.00	—	875.00
Totals	6,749.63	65,303.00	—	9,934.34	71,145.57	539.83	10,301.57
<b>Enterprise:</b>							
Water	—	138,464.00	—	—	138,059.95	404.05	—
Water - Vehicle Maintenance	—	1,600.00	—	—	1,000.00	600.00	—
Water - Pump	—	800.00	—	—	714.30	85.70	—
Totals	—	140,864.00	—	—	139,774.25	1,089.75	—
<b>Debt Service:</b>							
Bonds and Interest	—	252,885.00	—	—	245,832.05	7,052.95	—
<b>State &amp; County Assessments:</b>							
Special Education	—	6,708.00	—	—	4,554.00	2,154.00	—
County Tax	—	72,544.00	—	—	72,090.72	453.28	—
Recreation areas	—	28,648.00	—	—	27,304.00	1,344.00	—
Air Pollution	—	786.00	—	—	1,024.00	( 238.00)	—
Mosquito Control	—	8,485.00	—	—	6,655.00	1,830.00	—
Old Colony Planning Council	—	1,272.00	—	—	1,272.00	—	—
Motor Vehicle Excise Bills	—	980.00	—	—	980.00	—	—
Retired Teachers	—	24,471.00	—	—	24,471.00	—	—
Totals	—	143,894.00	—	—	138,350.72	5,543.28	—

# GENERAL FUND

Account	Unexpended Balance 7-1-83	Appropriations	Transfer from Reserve	Receipts	Expended	Reverting to Revenue	Unexpended Balance 6-30-84
<b>Other:</b>							
Energy revolving	511.73	—	—	—	—	—	511.73
Exchange	—	—	—	2,148.97	2,148.97	—	—
Insurance Proceeds	1,099.84	—	—	1,095.21	1,145.21	—	1,049.84
Old Unpaid Bills	—	5,284.06	—	—	5,284.06	—	—
Stabilization Fund	—	28,000.00	—	—	28,000.00	—	—
Energy Grant	—	—	—	85.00	85.00	—	—
County Aid to Agriculture	—	100.00	—	—	100.00	—	—
Totals	1,611.57	33,384.06	—	3,329.18	36,763.24	—	1,561.57
Totals	87,632.03	5,450,607.06	30,000.00	411,469.40	6,501,245.87	—	321,029.42

## Federal Revenue Sharing:

Highway drainage	35,081.66	—	—	—	2,432.50	—	32,649.16
Library expansion committee	2,000.00	—	—	—	—	—	2,000.00
Insurance	—	202,000.00	—	—	193,566.96	8,433.04	—
Street lights	—	36,000.00	—	—	36,000.00	—	—
Totals	37,081.66	238,000.00	—	—	231,000.46	8,433.04	34,649.16

# COLLECTOR OF TAXES

I hereby submit the Tax Collector's Report for 1984.

	Outstanding 12/31/83	Committed	Abated	Refunded	Collected	Tax Title	Balance 12/31/84
1978 Motor Vehicles	5,589.49		4,732.30		857.19		—
1979 Motor Vehicles	6,179.19		5,613.52		565.67		—
1980 Motor Vehicles	11,480.18				3,326.99		8,153.19
1981 Motor Vehicles	3,692.77	5.00		17.49			3,189.45
1982 Motor Vehicles	5,590.93						4,930.92
1983 Motor Vehicles	16,997.83	10,351.15	89.18	525.12			7,263.68
1984 Motor Vehicles		270,134.94	1,724.28	1,965.66			35,152.95
1978 Personal Property	258.50		18,924.17				825.60
1979 Personal Property	1,113.60				288.00		825.60
1980 Personal Property	805.00						805.00
1981 Personal Property	1,690.00						1,690.00
1982 Personal Property	1,016.40						1,016.40
1983 Personal Property	4,421.18				791.55	310.80	3,940.43
1984 Personal Property	57,049.65		287.70	15.75	54,480.01		2,297.69
1985 Personal Property		109,250.40			52,557.97		56,692.43
1979 Farm	24.50						24.50
1980 Farm	312.00						312.00
1981 Farm	15.00						15.00
1982 Farm	15.00						15.00
1983 Farm	547.50				459.00		88.50
1984 Farm	1,387.75				1,214.25		173.50
1984/85 Water	21,685.68	247,706.24	3,117.39	1,546.20	214,611.98	23,194.62 WL	30,014.13
1982 Water Lien	689.32		104.70		541.20	40.72	2.70

1983 Water Lien	2,289.40	35.00	539.00	1,225.00	490.40
1984 Water Lien	9,002.70		5,424.78		3,577.92
1985 Water Lien		150.00	17,366.48		10,573.14
1981 Real Estate	934.67		610.15		908.52
1982 Real Estate	52,227.96	5,674.89	33,792.38	10,885.81	1,874.88
1983 Real Estate	122,860.11	1,432.46	58,849.49	18,842.50	4,395.06
1984 Real Estate	1,693,804.35	7,394.00	1,600,217.18		90,568.01
1985 Real Estate		45,341.49	1,447,893.48		1,841,812.54
1983 Boat Excise	280.74				280.74
1984 Boat Excise		370.67	788.33		38.00
Roll Back Tax		4,850.39			4,850.39
Trailer Park Excise	2,022,321.40		3,495,175.08		2,155,791.17
Collected after abatement			12,132.00		
Interest Collected			834.44		
Charges Collected			38,800.85		
			3,090.00		



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Assessors	Daily 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. 1st & 3rd Wednesday Evening, 7:00 - 9:00
Board of Health	1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.
Planning Board	1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.
Selectmen	Daily 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Reg. Meetings: Monday 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Tax Collector & Treasurer	Daily 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. 1st & 3rd Wednesday Evening, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Town Clerk	Daily 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. 1st & 3rd Wednesday Evening, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Veterans' Services	Daily 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Monday thru Thursday
Water Department	Daily 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. 1st & 3rd Wednesday Evening, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

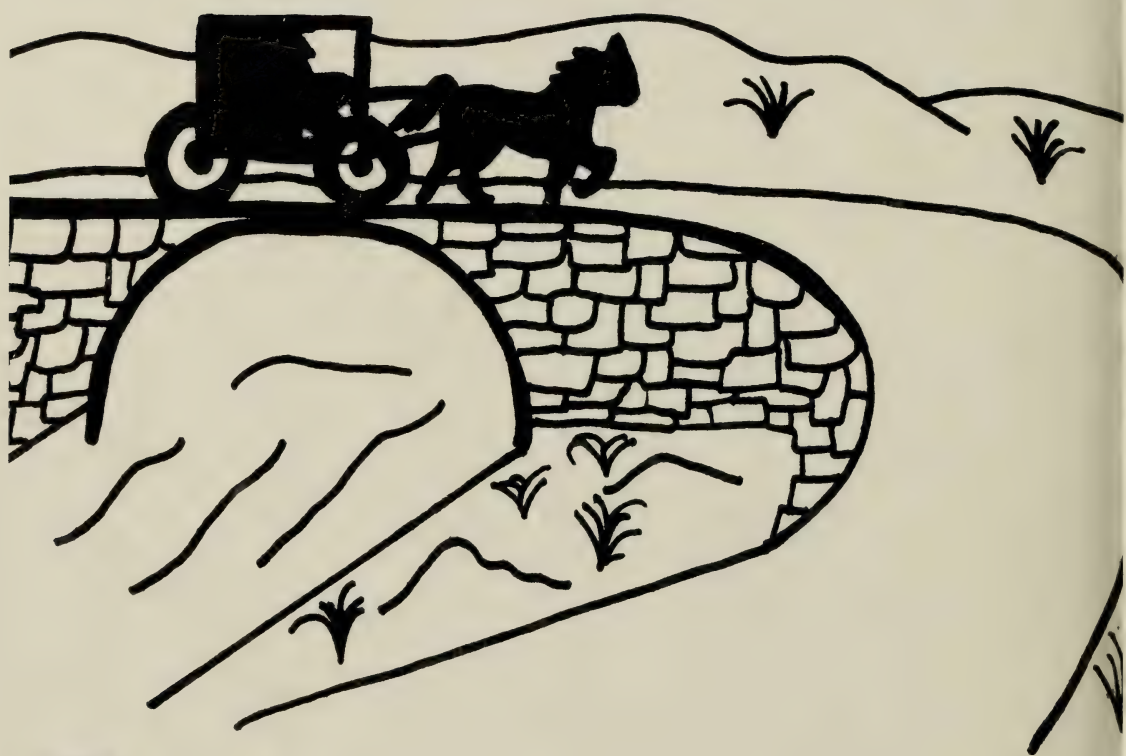








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